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April 5, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury,
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mr. Samuel Jones Ward, Foreman of the Rolling and Cutting Rooms, at $8.49 per diem, in the United States Mint at San Francisco, California, be retired from the service on account of age.

Mr. Ward reached the age of 65 on March 10, 1937, and has had more than 42 years' service, making retirement compulsory at close of March, 1937.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:D

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April 5, 1937.

Mr. F. A. Birgfeld,
Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Attention: Miss Coleman.

Dear Sir:

To the best of my knowledge and belief, Mrs. Alta H. Buck, File Clerk at $1,440 per annum, in the Gold Unit of the Office of the Director of the Mint, who has been discharged effective at the close of business April 15, 1937, is not in any manner indebted to the United States; that all transportation requests and Government property for which she has been responsible have been returned or properly accounted for, including any breakage charged; there are no outstanding General Accounting Office disallowances or exceptions in disbursing officer's accounts covering any prior payment to her.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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April 5, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mr. Edward F. Peterson, Skilled Workman, at $6.14 per diem, in the United States Mint at San Francisco, California, be retired from the service on account of disability.

Attached is an application signed by Mr. Peterson. Also attached are statements from Mr. Peterson's physician and his immediate superior regarding his disability.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:d

Enclosures.

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April 7, 1937.

Mr. John J. Trotter,
Office of the Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of April 4, 1937, in reference to a transfer to one of the field institutions of the Mint-service.

I am sure that the Superintendents of the Mints at Denver and San Francisco will give your applications every consideration in the event that a vacancy should occur. It is my impression that there are no openings at either of these institutions. Since the heads of the various Mint-service institutions are more familiar with the needs of their organizations, it is my policy to leave to them the matter of selection of their personnel.

In reference to the Fort Knox Bullion Depository, I am enclosing an application blank which you may fill out and return to this office. There are, as you may know, very few positions at that institution. There has been only one vacancy since the opening, caused by the death of one of the Guards, and we are literally swamped with applications from guards wishing to transfer from Washington to the Depository.

I am sorry that I cannot offer more encouragement at this time, but hope that you will be successful in securing the transfer you desire.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:D
Enclosure.

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April 10, 1937.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury,
Commissioner of the Public Debt,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The final estimate of the stock of domestic coins in the United States, as of March 31, 1937, is given below:

Silver dollars - - - - - - - - - - - -	$547,079,989
Subsidiary silver - - - - - - - - - -	357,471,812
Minor - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	149,309,362
Total - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	1,053,861,163

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

April 12, 1937.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The enclosed notice of injury (CA-1), official superior's report of injury (CA-2), and report of termination of partial disability (CA-3), in the case of Robert E. Jennings, temporary laborer at the United States Bullion Depository, Fort Knox, Kentucky, who was injured in the performance of his duties on March 26, 1937, are respectfully forwarded for transmission to the Secretary, U.S. Employees' Compensation Commission.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:D

Encl.

April 12, 1937.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The enclosed notice of injury (CA-1), official superior's report of injury (CA-2), and report of termination of partial disability (CA-3), in the case of Robert E. Jennings, temporary laborer at the United States Bullion Depository, Fort Knox, Kentucky, who was injured in the performance of his duties on March 26, 1937, are respectfully forwarded for transmission to the Secretary, U.S. Employees' Compensation Commission.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:D

Encl.

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March 24, 1937.

Mr. F. A. Birgfeld,
Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Attention: Miss Coleman.

Dear Sir:

To the best of my knowledge and belief, Mr. Russell Rowell, Auditor, $2,300 per annum, in the Gold and Silver Unit, Office of the Director of the Mint, who resigned at close of business April 9, 1937, is not in any manner indebted to the United States; that all transportation requests and Government property for which he has been responsible have been returned or properly accounted for, including any breakage charged; there are no outstanding General Accounting Office disallowances or exceptions in disbursing officer's accounts covering any prior payment to him.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:D

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April 14, 1937.

Chief Clerk in Charge,
U. S. Bullion Depository,
Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:

You are authorized to solicit bids and purchase from the lowest bidder, the following first aid supplies:

4 doz. 5-yd. rolls of ½" adhesive tape
2 doz. 5-yd. rolls of 1" adhesive tape
2 ea. Glass eye cups
2 lbs. Boric acid powder
2 ea. Boxes tongue blades about 6" long
5 ea. First aid handbooks

You will note that the 2 quarts of pure grain alcohol have been omitted from this list. I am inclosing a blank form which must be filled out by you in duplicate and returned to this Office for transmission to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue. I would suggest that you retain one copy of this form for your files. Please note that the nearest warehouse to the Fort Knox Depository is at Louisville, Ky.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Administrative Assistant
to the Secretary.

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April 16, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mr. Patrick Hayes, Guard at $1,680 per annum, employed in the United States Assay Office, New York, New York, be retired from the service on account of age.

Mr. Hayes has served for more than 40 years and will reach the age of 70 on April 27th, making him eligible for retirement at the close of April, 1937.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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April 21, 1937.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your communication of April 14, 1937, I have to advise that the form of policy of insurance covering Government shipments of currency, coin, bullion and securities works satisfactorily as regards Mint establishment activities.

There has been no extension or change in the character of shipments made during the current fiscal year except for non-recurring specialties which have been adequately cared for.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

F:d

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April 22, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the new bonds of Mr. George L. Swarva, Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Washington, and Mr. Peter J. Haggerty, Superintendent, United States Mint, San Francisco, California, be made effective July 1, 1937, in order that they may close their accounts as of June 30th.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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May 1, 1937.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the provisions of Section 7, of the Act of March 1, 1898, I have to report that the work of this Bureau for the month ended April 30, 1937, is not in arrears.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 479

May 1, 1937.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Complying with Department Circular No. 247, I have to report that no employees of this Bureau have been tardy ten times during the current year.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 479

May 1, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

Further in connection with the letter of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, signed by Mr. Harry B. Mitchell, President, and dated March 29, 1937, approving the transfer of emergency employees to the regular appropriation of the Mints and Assay Offices, it has come to the attention of this office that the District Managers, in the Districts where these transfers occurred, have not yet been advised of the Commission's approval in this case, nor have the names of the employees transferred been reported to them. It is requested that the Commission be asked to advise this office what procedure should be followed in order to straighten out this matter satisfactorily.

A number of emergency employees at the Philadelphia Mint and the New York Assay Office were transferred to the regular roll on April 1st, and a number in the San Francisco Mint on May 1st. The emergency employees in the Denver Mint will be transferred as soon as the emergency funds allotted to that institution are exhausted, as provided in the letter from Mr. Mitchell.

It is requested that a decision be obtained in this matter as soon as possible, as the District Manager of the Third Civil Service District in Philadelphia has written requesting to be advised on what authority these transfers were made.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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May 5, 1937.

Memorandum for Chief Clerk, Treasury Department.

Mint field service obligations against the appropriation Expenses, Emergency Banking, Gold Reserve, and Silver Purchase Acts, 1937, for the period April 1 to 30, 1937, were $48,290, all for personnel.

Acting Director of the Mint.

F:d

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May 3, 1937.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury,
Commissioner of the Public Debt,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The preliminary estimate of stock of domestic coins in the United States, as of April 30, 1937, is given below:

Silver dollars - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	$547,079,989
Subsidiary silver - - - - - - - - - - - -	357,530,514
Minor - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	149,864,617
Total - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	1,054,475,120

Very truly yours,

F-S

Acting Director of the Mint.

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May 4, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

In connection with the communication from the United States Civil Service Commission dated March 31, 1937, (File SRR:HM:AO), regarding political activity on the part of a number of employees of the Philadelphia Mint, this matter was taken up with the Superintendent of the Mint and the following reply has been received from him:

"There is on file in this office signed statements (dated prior to November 1, 1936) by the following employees to the effect that they are not politically active:

John T. Brennan
Wm. J. Byrne
Fred C. Doran
Ernest Hartley, Jr. (separated 2-9-37)
John A. O'Hare

"The names, Paul T. Goss and Charles Hughes to whom you also refer in your letter of April 2, 1937, do not appear in the personnel records of this Mint."

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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May 4, 1937.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

(Attention Bookkeeping and Warrants Division)

Sir:

In compliance with telephone request, it is suggested that the following be designated as authorized to administratively examine and approve accounts of the Mint establishment:

Nellie Tayloe Ross, Director of the Mint.

M. M. O'Reilly, Acting Director of the Mint.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

F:d

May 4, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Bookkeeping
and Warrants).

Sir:

You are advised that the following employee was authorized, effective May 1, 1937, to certify vouchers for payment in the absence of the Assayer in Charge of the U. S. Bullion Depository at Fort Knox, Kentucky:

Name	Designation	Class of Vouchers to be Certified
Evans, Albert B.	Weigher	All vouchers, including payrolls, evidencing transactions of the U. S. Bullion Depository, Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Signature cards in triplicate are enclosed.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosures

MDM

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May 4, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that a new bond be prepared in the sum of $5,000 for Mr. Albert B. Evans who was transferred from the position of Junior Assayer in the New York Assay Office to the position of Weigher in the U. S. Bullion Depository, Fort Knox, Kentucky, on January 7, 1937.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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May 7, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the recommendation dated January 14, 1937, for the temporary appointment of Fergus C. Groves to the position of Guard, at $1,680 per annum, in the U. S. Bullion Depository, Fort Knox, Kentucky, be cancelled, for the reason that Mr. Groves declined appointment.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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May 8, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury,
(Chief, Division of Bookkeeping and Warrants).

Sir:

You are advised that the following employee was authorized, effective April 27, 1937, to certify vouchers for payment in the absence of the Assayer in Charge of the U. S. Assay Office in Seattle, Washington:

Name	Designation	Class of Vouchers to be Certified
Myers, Percy L.	Chief Clerk	Payrolls, ordinary expense, transportation, bullion and coin, expenses, emergency banking, etc., special deposit account, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Washington.

Signature cards in triplicate are enclosed.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosures
MDM

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May 6, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to inclose a letter addressed by the Ambassador of Mexico to the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia, in which he asks to be advised as to whether or not the United States Mint at Philadelphia is in position to manufacture certain types of mint machinery for the Mexican Mint.

I regret that the Mint at Philadelphia is not in position at this time to undertake the preparation of this machinery for the Mexican Government as the facilities of the Mint at Philadelphia are heavily taxed to meet the demands of the United States Mints for mint equipment manufactured at Philadelphia.

The Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia has submitted the names of several manufacturing firms who might be in position to undertake the work, as follows:

The Toledo Machine & Tool Company, Toledo, Ohio.

The H. B. Underwood Corporation,
1015-25 Hamilton Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Wm. Sellers & Company, Inc.,
1600 Hamilton Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Very truly yours,

Secretary of the Treasury.

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May 11, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that a new bond be prepared in the sum of $5,000 for Mr. Percy L. Myers who was promoted to the position of Chief Clerk in the United States Assay Office, Seattle, Washington, on April 2, 1937.

Very truly yours,

M. W. Robbins

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

RG104 E-235 Vol 479

May 11, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 8th, stating that the American Consul at Helsinki, Finland, has expressed the desire of the Bank of Finland to receive the Annual Report of the Director of the Mint for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1931, 1932 and 1933.

I take pleasure in stating that on April 19, 1937, the Reportsof the Director of the Mint for the fiscal years 1931 and 1933 were sent to the Bank of Finland through the International Exchange Service. I regret that the Report for the fiscal year 1932 is out of print.

Very truly yours,

Secretary of the Treasury.

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May 11, 1937.

Mr. Stephen Early,
Assistant Secretary to the President,
The White House.

My dear Mr. Early:

In accordance with the request contained in your memorandum of May 7, 1937, there is returned to you herewith a letter to the President dated May 5, 1937, from Governor Martin L. Davey of Ohio, and the following draft is suggested as appropriate for a reply to such letter:

"Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated May 5, 1937, addressed to the President, relative to the coinage of 50-cent pieces in commemoration of the twentieth anniversary of the formation of the Rainbow (42nd) Division, United States Army.

Proposals to mint commemorative coins are being made with increasing frequency, and since 1933 twenty-six issues of commemorative coins have been authorized. The results of this practice have proved to be seriously undesirable in several respects. The Treasury Department has found that a multiplicity of designs in United States coins tends to create confusion, and to encourage counterfeiting. It is thus urged that the too frequent issuance of special coins is not consistent with proper maintenance of the integrity of our coinage system.

Because of the seriousness of these considerations, and because it has seemed to the President that occasions and events of meritorious public significance are very suitably and properly memorialized by medals of appropriate design struck by the United States Mints, he has recommended to the appropriate committees of the Congress that legislation be enacted declaring it to be the policy of the United States to authorize the striking of commemorative medals in lieu of commemorative coins, and to discontinue the striking of such coins."

Very truly yours,

Secretary of the Treasury.

Inclosure.

May 12, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mr. Fred K. Shermer, Skilled Workman employed in the United States Mint at San Francisco, California, be retired from the service on account of disability.

Attached is Mr. Shermer's application, together with statements from Mr. Shermer's immediate superior and his physician.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

Enclosures

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May 12, 1937.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury,
Commissioner of the Public Debt,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The final estimate of the stock of domestic coins in the United States, as of April 30, 1937, is given below:

Silver dollars - - - - - - - - - - - -	$547,079,989
Subsidiary silver - - - - - - - - - -	357,436,069
Minor - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	149,854,212
Total - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	1,054,370,270

Very truly yours,

F-S

Acting Director of the Mint.

MEMORANDUM FOR CHIEF CLERK, TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

May 13, 1937.

Reference is made to memo of this office dated January 28, 1937, relative to apportionment of the appropriation Expenses, Emergency Banking, Gold Reserve and Silver Purchase Acts, 1937, as regards amount available to the Mint Establishment.

The amount allocated for compensation of Bureau personnel is in excess of requirements for the remainder of the fiscal year by approximately $3,800 and it is proposed that it be used for other non-personnel expenses - partly for much needed printing, binding and stationery, requisitions for which are now being delayed, but without changing the monthly apportionment.

Acting Director of the Mint.

F:d

May 17, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that the Civil Service Commission be requested to reexamine Mr. Willard S. Boyce, who has been recommended for promotion to the position of Assistant Cashier in the Philadelphia Mint, inasmuch as he did not attain a passing average in the two examinations previously held for him. It is further recommended that he be examined sometime before the tenth of June at which time it will be necessary for him to leave for New York City to serve on the Annual Settlement Committee for the Mint service.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

May 17, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mr. Edward P. Peterson, Skilled Workman employed in the United States Mint at San Francisco, California, be dropped from the roll on May 31, 1937, for retirement under Section 6. His retirement on account of disability was approved by the Civil Service Commission on May 5, 1937.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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May 18, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that the salary of Mr. Seth Horne, Senior Clerk, CAF-5, in the Office of the Director of the Mint, be increased from $2,200 per annum to $2,300 per annum, effective June 1, 1937.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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May 18, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mrs. Dorothy Larner be appointed for emergency work, effective June 8, 1937, as a Stenographer, CAF-3, in the Office of the Director of the Mint, with compensation at the rate of $1,620 per annum, payable from the appropriation, "Expenses, Emergency Banking, Gold Reserve and Silver Purchase Acts, 1937", for such period of time as her services may be required on such work and funds are available therefor, but not to extend beyond June 30, 1937.

This appointment is recommended to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Reeves Euler effective at the close of business June 7, 1937.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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May 26, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to request that the recommendation for the transfer of Mr. Jesse Reynolds from the emergency appropriation to the regular appropriation of the Denver Mint, effective May 16, 1937, be cancelled, inasmuch as Mr. Reynolds was given a probational appointment on the regular roll of this institution on March 16, 1937, and has remained on that roll since that date.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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May 27, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

It is with regret that I report the death of Mr. John E. Merrill, Auditor at $2,300 per annum, employed on the Emergency Banking roll in the Silver Unit of the Office of the Director of the Mint, at 1:30 A. M., May 27th, 1937.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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May 28, 1937.

Mr. Calvin T. Kerrick,
c/o Chief Clerk in Charge,
U. S. Depository,
Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby authorized and requested to return to your post of duty at the United States Assay Office in New York upon completion of your duties in connection with the shipment of gold bullion from New York and Philadelphia for permanent storage at the Depository.

While engaged in this service you are authorized to use your personally owned automobile. You will be allowed reimbursement in an amount not exceeding the prevailing rates of cost of transportation and Pullman available by common carrier and in any event not to exceed the rate of 5¢ per mile, by the shortest usually traveled route between the points mentioned, outside city limits (Government Travel Regulations P. 7, paragraph A); subsistence at $5.00 per diem in lieu of actual expenses therefor will be allowed for travel time equivalent to the scheduled time for train services between points traveled. Payment is to be made from the appropriation "Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1936-37, symbol 267510" upon properly rendered statement of account.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Administrative Assistant
to the Secretary.

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June 1, 1937.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Complying with Department Circular No. 247, I have to report that no employees of this Bureau have been tardy ten times during the current year.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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June 1, 1937.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the provisions of Section 7, of the Act of March 1, 1898, I have to report that the work of this Bureau for the month ended May 31, 1937, is not in arrears.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/sh

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June 2, 1937.

Memorandum for Chief Clerk, Treasury Department.

Mint field service obligations against the appropriation Expenses, Emergency Banking, Gold Reserve, and Silver Purchase Acts, 1937, for the period May 1 to 31, 1937, were $19,201, all for personnel.

Director of the Mint.

F:d

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June 2, 1937.

The Hororable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mr. John H. McCray, Supervisor of Scales at $7.98 per diem in the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, be retired (optional) at the close of business May 31, 1937.

Mr. McCray reached the age of 63 on May 11, 1937, and has served for more than thirty years, thus becoming eligible for optional retirement at the end of May, 1937.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

June 2, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that the date of the retirement of Mr. Patrick Hayes, Guard employed in the United States Assay Office, New York City, be amended from April 30 to May 31, 1937. On April 30, Mr. Hayes lacked twenty-eight days' service necessary to complete the required fifteen years.

When Mr. Hayes made application for retirement, he claimed credit for military service, for which, it was found, he has been receiving a pension.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

June 4, 1937.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury,
Commissioner of the Public Debt,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The preliminary estimate of stock of domestic coins in the United States, as of May 31, 1937, is given below:

Silver dollars - - - - - - - - - - - - -	$547,079,989
Subsidiary silver - - - - - - - - - - -	357,685,817
Minor - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	150,399,042
Total - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	1,055,164,848

Very truly yours,

S-H-S

Director of the Mint.

June 4, 1937.

Mr. F. A. Birgfeld,
Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Attention: Miss Coleman.

Dear Sir:

To the best of my knowledge and belief, Mr. John E. Merrill, Auditor, CAF-6, at $2,300 per annum, in the Silver Unit of the Office of the Director of the Mint, who died on May 27, 1937, was not in any manner indebted to the United States; that all transportation requests and Government property for which he has been responsible have been returned or properly accounted for, including any breakage charged; there are no outstanding General Accounting Office disallowances or exceptions in disbursing officer's accounts covering any prior payment to him.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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June 9, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mrs. Margaret Gorman, Forewoman of the Sewing Room, at $5.60 per diem, employed in the United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, be retired from the service on account of disability.

Enclosed is a letter from Mrs. Emilie G. Pollard, Christian Science Practitioner, regarding her physical condition, and also a statement from Mr. Ralph Roland, Chief Clerk and Asst. Superintendent, her immediate superior.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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June 9, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to request that the recommendation dated May 3, 1937, approved by the Acting Administrative Assistant to the Secretary on May 11, 1937, for the temporary appointment of Mr. Arthur W. Cooper to the position of plumber in the United States Mint at San Francisco, California, be cancelled for the reason that Mr. Cooper failed to report for duty.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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June 9, 1937.

Mr. John D. Jamieson,
c/o Chief Clerk in Charge,
U. S. Depository,
Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby authorized and requested to return to your post of duty at the United States Mint in Denver, upon completion of your duties in connection with the shipment of gold bullion from New York and Philadelphia for permanent storage at the Depository.

Your actual and necessary traveling expenses, and $5.00 per diem in lieu of actual cost of subsistence, will be paid from the appropriation "Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1936-37, Symbol 267510".

Transportation requests are being issued from Elizabethtown as that is understood to be the more convenient point of departure. It is further understood that this will not involve any extra expense to the Government.

Very truly yours,

H. M. Gidney

Acting Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Administrative Assistant
to the Secretary.

June 9, 1937.

Mr. Alfred Allison,
c/o Chief Clerk in Charge,
U. S. Depository,
Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby authorized and requested to return to your post of duty at the U. S. Assay Office in New York, upon completion of your duties in connection with the shipment of gold bullion from New York and Philadelphia for permanent storage at the Depository.

Your actual and necessary traveling expenses, and $5.00 per diem in lieu of actual cost of subsistence, will be paid from the appropriation "Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1936-37, Symbol 267510".

Transportation requests are being issued from Elizabethtown as that is understood to be the more convenient point of departure. It is further understood that this will not involve any extra expense to the Government.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Administrative Assistant
to the Secretary.

June 9, 1937.

Mr. Howard Thomas,
c/o Chief Clerk in Charge,
U. S. Depository,
Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby authorized and requested to return to your post of duty at the United States Mint in Philadelphia, upon completion of your duties in connection with the shipment of gold bullion from New York and Philadelphia for permanent storage at the Depository.

Your actual and necessary traveling expenses, and $5.00 per diem in lieu of actual cost of subsistence, will be paid from the appropriation "Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1936-37, Symbol 267510".

Transportation requests are being issued from Elizabethtown as that is understood to be the more convenient point of departure. It is further understood that this will not involve any extra expense to the Government.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Administrative Assistant
to the Secretary.

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June 9, 1937.

Mr. Paul J. Maguire,
c/o Chief Clerk in Charge,
U. S. Depository,
Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby authorized and requested to return to your post of duty at the U. S. Assay Office in New York, upon completion of your duties in connection with the shipment of gold bullion from New York and Philadelphia for permanent storage at the Depository.

Your actual and necessary traveling expenses, and $5.00 per diem in lieu of actual cost of subsistence, will be paid from the appropriation "Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1936-37, Symbol 267510".

Transportation requests are being issued from Elizabethtown as that is understood to be the more convenient point of departure. It is further understood that this will not involve any extra expense to the Government.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Administrative Assistant
to the Secretary.

June 9, 1937.

Mr. H. T. Taliaferro,
c/o Chief Clerk in Charge,
U. S. Depository,
Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby authorized and requested to return to your post of duty at the U. S. Assay Office in New York, upon completion of your duties in connection with the shipment of gold bullion from New York and Philadelphia for permanent storage at the Depository.

Your actual and necessary traveling expenses, and $5.00 per diem in lieu of actual cost of subsistence, will be paid from the appropriation "Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1936-37, Symbol 267510".

Transportation requests are being issued from Elizabethtown as that is understood to be the more convenient point of departure. It is further understood that this will not involve any extra expense to the Government.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Administrative Assistant
to the Secretary.

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June 14, 1937.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury,
Commissioner of the Public Debt,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The final estimate of the stock of domestic coins in the United States, as of May 31, 1937, is given below:

Silver dollars - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	$547,079,989
Subsidiary silver - - - - - - - - - - - - -	357,685,684
Minor - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	150,399,042
	1,055,164,715

Very truly yours,

M. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

F:d

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June 14, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of the communication from the United States Civil Service Commission dated June 8th, 1937, (File SRR:HM:AO), stating that it is in receipt of information to the effect that Mr. Meyer Padolsky, an employee of the Philadelphia Mint, has been politically active and is a committeeman in the Fifth Ward. Mr. Dressel, the Superintendent of the Philadelphia Mint, was requested to investigate the matter and the following letter has been received from him:

"This will acknowledge the receipt of your letter of June 9, 1937, with reference to a communication received by you from the Civil Service Commission regarding the political activity of Meyer Padolsky, temporary Roller in this Mint.

"I talked to Mr. Padolsky today and he denied any political activity on his part since the date of his resignation from the 5th Ward Democratic Executive Committee, namely, August 25, 1936. I directed him, however, to familiarize himself with the provisions of the political activity circular, Form 1236, and handed him the copy of such form enclosed with your letter.

"As requested by the Civil Service Commission, and attached hereto you will find a copy of Mr. Padolsky's resignation from the Ward Committee mentioned above, and the original letter of acceptance of such resignation by the Committee Chairman, which have been on file in this office since September. When these papers have served their purpose, will you kindly return them for our file?

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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June 11, 1937.

Hon. Arthur H. Vandenberg,
United States Senate,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of June 9th, inclosing an interesting proposal from your constituent, Mr. A. J. Strong, of Highland Park, Michigan, that a change in the shape of United States coins would be desirable.

You are aware, of course, that an Act of Congress would be necessary before any alteration could be made in the type of a coin. While Mr. Strong may be correct in his view that the septagon shape would discourage counterfeiting, it would not, it appears, eliminate it and the inconvenience of handling and stacking coins with projecting angles would undoubtedly meet with protest from the public, particularly from the business world.

Very truly yours,

Wayne Taylor

Secretary of the Treasury.

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June 12, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 4th, inclosing the translation of a note from the Dominican Minister, in which he requests information relative to the cost of certain coinage for his Government. The following estimate is submitted:

No. of pieces	Denomination	Composition	Cost per M pcs.
500,000	50 Centavos	Silver .900 fine	$6.50
560,000	25 "	" " "	4.50
1,000,000	10 "	" " "	3.00
2,000,000	5 "	75% copper, 25% nickel	3.00
1,000,000	1 "	95% copper, 5% tin & zinc	2.25

METAL REQUIRED

	Silver	Avoirdupois Pounds			
	Fine Ounces	Copper	Nickel	Zinc	Tin
50 Centavos	180,843.75				
25 "	101,272.50				
10 "	72,337.50				
5 "		16,534.2857	5,511.4286		
1 "		6,514.2857		274.2857	68.5715
	354,453.75	23,048.5714	5,511.4286	274.2857	68.5715

It is understood that all of the above coins are to be the same as United States coins of equal denominations in size, weight, composition and tolerance. The prices given for the silver coins include the cost of the working dies and copper for alloy. The shipping boxes will be extra, $0.75 each.

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If new dies are to be made at the Mint in Philadelphia, the cost will be $300.00 per set of master dies and hubs for each denomination, with the understanding that the sculptured models will be furnished to the Mint.

Very truly yours,

Secretary of the Treasury.

June 22, 1937.

Mr. F. A. Birgfeld,
Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Attention: Miss Coleman.

Dear Sir:

To the best of my knowledge and belief, Mr. Reeves Euler, Stenographer at $1,620 per annum, in the Gold Unit of the Office of the Director of the Mint, who resigned on June 7, 1937, was not in any manner indebted to the United States; that all transportation requests and Government property for which he has been responsible have been returned or properly accounted for, including any breakage charged; there are no outstanding General Accounting Office disallowances or exceptions in disbursing officer's accounts covering any prior payment to him.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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June 23, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that the position of Assistant Chief Clerk and Accountant at $3,500 per annum, which was set up for the Fort Knox Depository and approved by the Administrative Assistant to the Secretary on June 11, 1936, be abolished, and the position of Administrative Assistant (Assistant Chief Clerk), CAF-8, at $2,900 per annum, be created in its place.

It is further recommended that Mr. Albert B. Evans, now serving in the position of Weigher at the Depository, be promoted to the above proposed position, effective date of oath.

Mr. Evans was transferred from the New York Assay Office to the Depository and has had a great deal of experience in Mint practice. In my opinion, he is well qualified to fill the position of assistant to the Chief Clerk in Charge of the Depository.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

Enclosure

R:M

June 25, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury,
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that the following employees paid from the appropriation, "Expenses, Emergency Banking, Gold Reserve and Silver Purchase Acts", and employed in the Office of the Director of the Mint, be reappointed July 1st, 1937, without change in position, grade or salary, for such periods as their services may be required on such work and funds are available therefor, but not to extend beyond June 30, 1938:

Name	Title	Grade	Salary
Anderson, Zilpah M.	Asst. Clerk	CAF-3	$1,620
Atwell, Eleanor	Chief File Clerk	CAF-3	1,620
Bennion, Donald C.	Clerk	CAF-3	1,620
Bossidy, Catherine E.	File Clerk	CAF-2	1,440
Bunnell, Charles J.	File Clerk	CAF-2	1,440
Burbank, Russell	Auditor	CAF-6	2,300
Carter, Louise	Stenographer	CAF-3	1,620
Cogswell, William N.	File Clerk	CAF-2	1,440
Connors, Catherine L.	Clerk-Stenographer	CAF-3	1,800
Cooney, Patrick S.	Auditor	CAF-6	2,300
Davidson, Ida P.	Sr. Clerk	CAF-4	1,800
Dean, Margaret M.	Jr. File Clerk	CAF-2	1,440
Donnelly, Gene	Sr. Stenographer	CAF-3	1,620
Failor, Kenneth M.	Auditor	CAF-6	2,300
Farlow, Thelma W.	Stenographer	CAF-3	1,620
Hanson, Lydia F.	Stenographer	CAF-3	1,620
Harley, Joseph F.	Clerk-Stenographer	CAF-4	1,800
Hayden, Eleanora	Stenographer	CAF-3	1,740
Hines, Elizabeth D.	Auditor	CAF-6	2,300
Howard, Frank Leland	Sr.Adm.Asst.(Supvr. Silver Unit)	CAF-9	3,800
Huebner, Olive A.	Sr. Stenographer	CAF-3	1,620
Huie, Byron S., Jr.	Supervisor, Gold Unit	CAF-10	3,700
Johnstone, Robert L.	Prin.Acct.& Audit.Asst.	CAF-7	2,600

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Name	Title	Grade	Salary
Kalapos, Julius S.	Jr.Clerk-Typist	CAF-2	$1,440
Laird, Bernice	Sr. Stenographer	CAF-3	1,620
Longpre, Henri L.	Prin.Acct.& Audit.Asst.	CAF-6	2,300
Mahoney, Barry	Auditor	CAF-6	2,300
O'Haro, Janet B.	Clerk-Stenographer	CAF-3	1,800
Ostler, Stanley R.,Jr.	File Clerk	CAF-2	1,620
Parker, Evelyn	Sr. Stenographer	CAF-3	1,620
Sessions, DeForest E.	Supervising Auditor	CAF-8	3,000
Thomson, Augustus P.	Scientific Aide	SP-5	1,800
West, Maywood C.	File Clerk-Typist	CAF-2	1,440
Wilkins, Edness K.	Secretary to Director	CAF-7	2,600

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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June 26, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

In reply to the communication from the United States Civil Service Commission dated June 17th, (File R-78262, SRR:SVH:D), regarding the amount of retirement deductions taken from the salary of Mr. David J. Quaid, a former employee in the Philadelphia Mint, for the period July 1st to August 31st, 1934, you are advised that the amount of $9.28 was deducted for this period. The amount of tontine for this period was $2.00, leaving a net deduction of $7.28.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

H:M

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June 25, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

Your approval is requested of a contemplated purchase of first aid materials - adhesive tape, bandages, absorbent cotton, unguentine, aristol, etc., at a total cost of approximately $115.00, for use at the United States Assay Office, New York City.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Secretary of the Treasury.

Fzd

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June 29, 1937.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In response to your circular letter of June 25th, I submit a list of changes effective July 1st, in the location of telephones in this Bureau.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
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June 30, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that the following regular employees at the United States Bullion Depository, Fort Knox, Kentucky, now being paid from the appropriation, "Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1936-37, Symbol 26-7510.001", be transferred, effective July 1, 1937, at the same salaries, grades and titles, to the appropriation, "Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1938":

Name	Title	Grade	Salary
Ballance, Clifford C.	Guard	CU-6	$1,680
Black, Felix G.	"	CU-6	1,680
Boutell, Edward J.	Fireman-Laborer	CU-3	1,200
Bowman, Willie O.	Guard	CU-6	1,680
Buckner, Edwin J.	"	CU-6	1,680
Dowling, Michael J.	"	CU-6	1,680
Evans, Albert B.	Weigher	SP-7	2,300
Finney, Ira I.	Guard	CU-6	1,680
Gill, Charles F.	"	CU-6	1,680
Howard, Virgil H.	"	CU-6	1,680
James, Jack	"	CU-6	1,680
Jenkins, William L.	"	CU-6	1,680
Johnson, Theodore E.	"	CU-6	1,680
Kernek, Clarence L.	"	CU-6	1,680
Koch, George	"	CU-6	1,680
Larkin, Charles J.	"	CU-6	1,680
Leff, Herman P.	Electrician-Engineer	CU-8	2,000
Leonard, Llynos R.	Charman-Chauffeur	CU-2	1,080
Lightfritz, Chester R.	Guard	CU-6	1,680

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Name	Title	Grade	Salary
Maerz, Frederick W.	Guard	CU-6	$1,680
Martin, Lloyd	Fireman-Laborer	CU-3	1,200
Meers, Karl J.	Guard	CU-6	1,680
Randall, Robert C.	Guard	CU-6	1,680
Shurte, Clarence E.	"	CU-6	1,680
Van Horne, Russell J.	Chief Clerk in Charge	CAF-12	4,600
Westerlind, Sten O.	Guard	CU-6	1,680
Wilson, Leo D.	"	CU-6	1,680
Gibbs, Joseph L.	"	CU-6	1,680

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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June 26, 1937.

Hon. A. B. Chandler,
Governor of Kentucky,
Frankfort, Kentucky.

Dear Governor Chandler:

Your letter in reference to the proposed relocation and construction of the main highway which passes the Treasury property at Fort Knox occupied by the Bullion Depository, has been received.

I approve the proposal in principle with the proviso that final approval be granted upon the completion of the Dixie Highway, that now passes the Treasury property, down to the underpass and into junction with the proposed new road.

It is requested that a map be submitted to the Treasury Department showing the exact location of the proposed road before contract for construction is awarded.

Very truly yours,

Wayne C. Taylor

Secretary of the Treasury.

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July 1, 1937.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the provisions of Section 7, of the Act of March 1, 1898, I have to report that the work of this Bureau for the month ended June 30, 1937, is not in arrears.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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July 1, 1937.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Complying with Department Circular No. 247, I have to report that no employees of this Bureau have been tardy ten times during the current year.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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July 1, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request the the Civil Service Commission be asked to determine whether or not following service in the United States Army performed by Mr. Adolph Miller, is creditable towards retirement:

Enlisted, U. S. Army	3/29/99
Discharged	6/23/02
Enlisted, U. S. Army	7/8/02
Discharged	6/19/05

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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July 1, 1937

Memorandum for Chief Clerk, Treasury Department.

Mint field service obligations against the appropriation Expenses, Emergency Banking, Gold Reserve, and Silver Purchase Acts, 1937, for the period June 1 to 30, 1937, were $1,373, all for personnal.

Director of the Mint.

F:d

July 6, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to submit for your approval models for the first pieces to be issued in commemoration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Battle of Antietam, the coinage of which was authorized by the Act of June 24, 1937.

It is understood that the weight, composition and dimensions of the coins are to be the same as prescribed for the regular current half-dollar piece.

The designs, as to artistic merit, have the approval of the Commission of Fine Arts.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Secretary of the Treasury.

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July 6, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to submit for your approval models for the fifty-cent piece to be issued in commemoration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Battle of Antietam, the coinage of which was authorized by the Act of June 24, 1937.

It is understood that the weight, composition and dimensions of the coins are to be the same as prescribed for the regular current half-dollar piece.

The designs, as to artistic merit, have the approval of the Commission of Fine Arts.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Secretary of the Treasury.

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July 6, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to submit for your approval models for the fifty-cent piece to be issued in commemoration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Battle of Antietam, the coinage of which was authorized by the Act of June 24, 1937.

It is understood that the weight, composition and dimensions of the coins are to be the same as prescribed for the regular current half-dollar piece.

The designs, as to artistic merit, have the approval of the Commission of Fine Arts.

Respectfully,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Henry Morgenthau Jr.

Secretary of the Treasury.

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July 9, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 8th, transmitting a copy in translation of a note dated June 30, 1937, from the Consul General of Costa Rica, in charge of the affairs of the Legation of that country, stating that the National Bank of Costa Rica desires to have returned to it the dies and collars used in 1935 by the Philadelphia Mint for the coining of nickel currency for the account of the Government of Costa Rica.

I have taken pleasure in today instructing the Director of the Mint to cause the Costa Rican dies and collars on hand at the Mint in Philadelphia to be forwarded to the Costa Rican Legation without delay.

Very truly yours,

Secretary of the Treasury.

July 12, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

Further with reference to the personnel record of Mr. Samuel B. Frantz, Administrative Officer in the Bureau of the Mint, while employed in the New York and Norfolk Navy Yards, your attention is called to the fact that the retirement record card furnished by these institutions shows that there was a break in Mr. Frantz' service from May 6, 1902, to August 1, 1902.

Attached is a photostatic copy of a letter authorizing his transfer showing that Mr. Frantz reported for duty at the Norfolk Navy Yard on June 2, 1902. He states that his service at the New York Navy Yard was continuous throughout the month of May and will be reflected in the payrolls of the Navy Yard; also that his service at the Norfolk Navy Yard was continuous from June 2, 1902 to August 1, 1902.

It is requested that a further attempt be made to correct the service record of Mr. Frantz, and that a corrected retirement record card, form 2806, be furnished this office by the Navy Department. A letter has been received from the General Accounting Office stating that the payroll records had been examined and that they showed continuous service for Mr. Frantz from August 1, 1902 to March 14, 1904.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Neel

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosure

MDM

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July 13, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the recommendations, dated June 15, 1937, for the transfers, effective July 1, 1937, of Mr. John Lombardi and Mr. Joseph F. Manson from temporary positions on the regular roll to emergency positions on the Silver Purchase and Gold Reserve Acts roll, approved by the Acting Administrative Assistant to the Secretary on July 6, 1937, be cancelled, inasmuch as both Mr. Lombardi and Mr. Manson resigned at the close of business June 30, 1937, for the purpose of accepting positions with the Pennsylvania Board of Mercantile Appraisers.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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July 14, 1937.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of June 25th, and this Bureau submits the following estimate of essential needs covering the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1938, to be supplied under "Contingent Expenses, Treasury Department":

Carpets and Repairs	$125.00
File Holders and File Cases	170.00
Furniture	50.00
Labor-Saving Machines (Purchases & Rentals)	.....
Miscellaneous Items	200.00
Newspapers, Books, Periodicals	.....
Photostat work	125.00
Repairs to Labor-Saving Machines	.....
Repairs to Typewriters	200.00
Typewriters - 2 @ $75	150.00

A request for one carpet is included. This is for one of the rooms in the Bureau of the Mint in the Treasury Building.

Four of the five file cases are for the Gold and Silver Unit in the District National Bank Building and one is for the Bureau of the Mint in the Treasury Building.

The estimate submitted for furniture is to cover small items.

The estimate submitted for miscellaneous items is to cover small items not now definable.

A considerable quantity of photostat work is required on account of the legal work involved in handling the gold and silver licenses.

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It is estimated that at least ten typewriters now in use will require minor repairs, at an average of $20 each, during the fiscal year 1939 and an estimate of $200 is submitted.

The two new typewriters listed would replace one Underwood #4211052-11 purchased March 13, 1934, and one Underwood #4080344-10 purchased June 1, 1932. These two typewriters are now used to fill in with miscellaneous work but could not be expected to last beyond this year.

Very truly yours,

A. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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July 14, 1937.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury,
Commissioner of the Public Debt,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The final estimate of the stock of domestic coins in the United States, as of June 30, 1937, is given below:

Silver dollars - - - - - - - - - - - - -	547,079,989
Subsidiary silver - - - - - - - - - - -	358,975,368
Minor - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	150,953,763
	1,057,009,120

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

F:d

July 17, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of the communication from the United States Civil Service Commission dated July 13th, 1937, (File W-10458, SRR:MDP:VS), regarding the appointment of Mr. Joseph A. Heyfron, emergency helper in the United States Mint, San Francisco, California, to the position of assistant foreman of the make-up room on the regular roll of that institution.

The Bureau accepts as final the decision of the Commission regarding the fact that Mr. Heyfron has no status for appointment to a civil service position. The Commission states, however, that Mr. Heyfron was transferred to the regular roll on May 1st, 1937, and that there was no authority for such transfer. It is requested that you call to the attention of the Commission the fact that it approved, under date of March 29, 1937, the transfer of persons in the Mints and Assay Offices employed without civil service status on the roll, "Expenses, Emergency Banking, Gold Reserve and Silver Purchase Acts, 1937", to temporary positions on the regular roll with certain limitations. Accordingly, the emergency employees of the San Francisco Mint, including Mr. Heyfron, were transferred to the regular roll on May 1st, as all emergency funds allotted to that institution were exhausted on April 30th. These employees were transferred back to their former noncivil service positions paid from the appropriation, "Expenses, Silver Purchase and Gold Reserve Acts, Bureau of the Mints, Mints and Assay Offices, 1938", on July 1st, 1937.

Very truly yours,

A. N. Rill,

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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July 20, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that the salary of Norris M. Elwell, Machinist at $6.32 per diem, in the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, be increased to $7.34 per diem, effective date of oath, and payable from the appropriation, "Expenses, Silver Purchase and Gold Reserve Acts, Bureau of the Mint, Mints and Assay Offices, 1938", for such period of time as his services may be required and funds are available therefor, but not to extend beyond June 30, 1938.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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July 24, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

Enclosed is an application for an advance of sick leave for Mr. Roy T. Algate, an employee of the Office of the Director of the Mint, who was confined to his home because of illness from June 14 to June 18, 1937, inclusive. At the time of his illness Mr. Algate had no accrued sick leave, and as of June 1st, he still had to liquidate 20½ days' sick leave previously advanced.

It is respectfully requested that the above advance of sick leave be granted Mr. Algate, inasmuch as his case is meritorious.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosure

MDM

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July 27, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the recommendation for the promotion of Mr. William W. Gildner, Machinist on the regular roll, from $6.72 per diem to $7.34 per diem, effective date of oath, which was approved by the Acting Administrative Assistant to the Secretary on July 22, 1937, be cancelled inasmuch as Mr. Gildner was promoted to the position of Supervisor of Scales on July 1st, 1937.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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July 27, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

You are advised that the spelling of the name, "John J. McDonald" on the service record card recently forwarded to your office is incorrect. The correct spelling is "John J. MacDonald" according to the records of this office. Mr. MacDonald was employed as a guard in the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and was discharged on June 9, 1937.

Very truly yours,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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July 27, 1937.

Mr. Martin G. Steinetz,
c/o Chief Clerk in Charge,
U. S. Depository,
Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:

Your assignment for duty to the Fort Knox Depository, which was authorized under date of December 15, 1936, having extended beyond the fiscal year 1936-37, is hereby renewed to cover your tour of duty at that point from July 1, 1937, until relieved by the Chief Clerk in Charge of the Depository - a period of approximately 60 days.

While engaged in this service your necessary traveling expenses and $3.00 per diem, in lieu of actual cost of subsistence, will be paid from the appropriation "Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices".

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Approved:

O. C. Schoeneman

Administrative Assistant
to the Secretary.

O'R/eh

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July 27, 1937.

Mr. Martin G. Steinetz,
c/o Chief Clerk in Charge,
U. S. Depository,
Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby authorized and requested to return to your post of duty at the United States Mint in Philadelphia upon completion of your duties at the Fort Knox Depository.

While engaged in this service you are authorized to use your personally owned automobile. You will be allowed reimbursement in an amount not exceeding the prevailing rates of cost of transportation and Pullman available by common carrier and in any event not to exceed the rate of 5¢ per mile, by the shortest usually traveled route between the points mentioned, outside city limits (Government Travel Regulations P. 7, paragraph A); subsistence at $5.00 per diem in lieu of actual expenses therefor will be allowed for travel time equivalent to the scheduled time for train services between points traveled. Payment is to be made from the appropriation "Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices".

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Approved:

O. Schoeneman

Administrative Assistant
to the Secretary.

O'R/ah

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July 28, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the recommendation for the promotion of Mr. William W. Gildner, Machinist, on the regular roll of the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, from $6.72 per diem to $7.34 per diem, effective date of oath, which was approved by the Acting Administrative Assistant to the Secretary on July 22, 1937, be cancelled inasmuch as Mr. Gildner was promoted to the position of Supervisor of Scales on July 1st, 1937.

Very truly yours,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

July 29, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Appointment Division).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the approval of the appointment of Andrew Oxios, Jr. for emergency work in the position of Skilled Laborer at $5.00 per diem in the United States Assay Office, New York, New York, payable from the appropriation "Expenses, Silver Purchase and Gold Reserve Acts, Bureau of the Mint, Mints and Assay Offices, 1938", dated July 22, 1937, be cancelled.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 2, 1937.

Mr. Robert Humphreys,
Commissioner of Highways,
Frankfort, Kentucky.

Attention: Chief Draftsman

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of July 26th, inclosing a print of the outlines of the property at Fort Knox controlled by the Treasury Department, showing the proposed re-routing of Highway #31 in Kentucky through the property adjacent to the Bullion Depository at Fort Knox.

The plan is satisfactory upon condition that the paving of the present Dixie Highway passing in front of the Bullion Depository shall be extended until it connects with the highway in its new location.

Very truly yours,

Secretary of the Treasury.

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August 2, 1937.

Hon. Clarence F. Lea,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Lea:

Your letter of July 23rd, addressed to the President, commending the qualifications of Mr. Frank Merz for the position of Assayer, has been referred to this Department for attention.

You may be assured that when this matter is taken up, every consideration will be given to the application of Mr. Merz.

Very truly yours,

Secretary of the Treasury.

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August 4, 1937.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury,
Commissioner of the Public Debt,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The preliminary estimate of stock of domestic coins in the United States, as of July 31, 1937, is given below:

Silver dollars - - - - - - - - - - - -	$547,079,989
Subsidiary silver - - - - - - - - - -	360,944,932
Minor - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	151,465,803
Total - - - - - - - - - - - -	1,059,490,724

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F:d

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August 4, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 28th, inclosing a note dated July 26, 1937, from the Nicaraguan Minister in Washington, expressing the desire of his Government to obtain permission for the coinage by the United States Mint at Philadelphia of certain currency, as well as authorization for the American Bank Note Company to print bills in the amount of 1,400,000 cordobas. The following is an estimate of the cost of coinage and the metal required:

No. pieces	Denomination	Avoirdupois Pounds				Mfg. Cost per M pieces
		Copper	Nickel	Tin	Zinc	
300,000	5 Centavos	2,480.1428	826.7143			$3.50
1,000,000	1 Centavo	8,355.3257		552.7314	110.2286	2.20
1,000,000	½ Centavo	5,222.0784		220.4571	68.8930	2.20
		16,057.5469	826.7143	573.1885	179.1216	

The above costs include working dies, but do not include shipping boxes. These boxes are $0.75 each.

Master dies and hubs for such coins are in the possession of the Philadelphia Mint, and change in dates only will be required. These changes can be made for $25.00 for each denomination, or a total of $75.00 for the three denominations.

Upon receipt of advice from you that the terms indicated in this letter are satisfactory to the Government of Nicaragua, I shall take pleasure in instructing the Director of the Mint to proceed as soon as possible with the preparation of this coinage.

The Treasury Department would not be in position to quote on the preparation by the American Bank Note Company, of the paper money referred to by the Minister. However, this Department will take pleasure in enlisting the interest of the American Bank Note Company on behalf of the Minister of Nicaragua if your Department so desires.

Very truly yours,

Secretary of the Treasury.

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August 6, 1937.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of July 21st, relative to the annual roll call for the American Red Cross.

Mrs. Edness K. Wilkins is designated a representative from this Office to act as a member of the Departmental Committee.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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August 6, 1937.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Complying with Department Circular No. 247, I have to report that no employees of this Bureau have been tardy ten times during the current year.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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August 6, 1937.

Chief Clerk
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the provisions of Section 7, of the Act of March 1, 1898, I have to report that the work of this Bureau for the month ended July 31, 1937, is not in arrears.

Very truly yours,

H. A. Mills,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

August 12, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

The inclosed voucher covers the cost of melting charges imposed by the San Francisco Mint on silver deposited with that Mint for the account of the Central Bank of China, to be held at San Francisco for coinage purposes. Over 700 melts of finenesses varying between 880 and 891/1000ths were made.

Gross weight before melting---------3,412,624.95
" " after " ---------3,411,773.60
Fine ounces of silver resulting-----3,019,896.93

The charge of the Mint, amounting to $3,411.80, is based upon the rate of $1.00 per thousand ounces on after-melting weight.

It is expected that this identical silver will be used in the coinage requested by the Chinese Government to be executed at the Mint at San Francisco as soon as the machinery is assembled in the new Mint. It is expected that this will be some time in October. It was proposed, at one time, to execute this coinage at the Mint in Philadelphia but since the facilities of the San Francisco Mint will be available for the Chinese coinage before the close of the calendar year it would appear to be less costly to have this coinage executed at the Mint in San Francisco instead of at Philadelphia and thus save transportation charges.

I have the honor to request that this voucher be transmitted to the Chinese Ambassador for his consideration and payment. The check should be made out in favor of the Superintendent of the United States Mint at San Francisco.

Very truly yours,

Wayne C. Taylor

Secretary of the Treasury.

Inclosure.

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August 16, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of the communication from the United States Civil Service Commission dated August 10th, (File SRR:GET:DM, R-244314), concerning the circumstances surrounding the separation of Mr. Roderick H. Kearney, a former helper, from employment in the United States Mint at San Francisco, California.

On December 10th, 1935, the Commission forwarded a letter to the Secretary of the Treasury, revealing a record of a number of arrests for Mr. Kearney, based on a fingerprint search. This letter was forwarded to the Bureau of the Mint for appropriate action.

His record was accordingly taken up with the Superintendent of the San Francisco Mint who endeavored to obtain from Mr. Kearney a satisfactory explanation of such record. Inasmuch as he was unable to clear himself, he was dropped from employment on January 29, 1936. It has always been the policy of this office to employ in the Mint service only those whose reputations are unquestionable. Mr. Kearney's separation was involuntary.

Very truly yours,

D. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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August 16, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to submit for your approval models for the fifty-cent piece to be issued in commemoration of the three-hundredth anniversary of the original Norfolk (Virginia) land grant and the two-hundredth anniversary of the establishment of the city of Norfolk, Virginia, as a borough, the coinage of which was authorized by the Act of June 28, 1937.

It is understood that the weight, composition and dimensions of the coins are to be the same as prescribed for the regular current half-dollar piece.

The designs, as to artistic merit, have the approval of the Commission of Fine Arts.

Respectfully,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Wayne C. Taylor

Secretary of the Treasury.

August 23, 1937.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with circular letter of August 18, 1937, there are transmitted herewith reports from the respective Mint institutions covering disposition of papers, documents, etc., which are not needed or useful in the transaction of current business and have no permanent value or historical interest.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R:d

Enclosures.

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August 25, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury,
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

Replying to the letter from the United States Civil Service Commission, dated July 10th, (File SRR:HM:AO), to the effect that it had received information that a number of employees of the Philadelphia Mint were politically active, the following letter has been received from the Superintendent of that institution:

"Replying to your letter of July 15th, 1937, with reference to a communication received by you regarding the political activity of certain employees in this Mint residing in the 22nd Ward, please be advised as follows:

"In July of last year the following persons, whose names are included in the group mentioned above, were required to file with this office copies of letters of resignation from their Ward Committees, together with copies of their Ward Chairmen's acceptance thereof. Such letters are now on file in this office.

Fred C. Doran
Warren A. O'Callaghan
Mrs. Anna G. McDevitt

"At the same time, the remaining persons in the group mentioned in your letter signed statements attached to Departmental Circular #518 to the effect that they were not politically active. Such statements are now on file in this office signed by the following persons:

Cornelius McGeehan
Charles Ludovico
Joseph Dillon
John White

"I have interviewed all of the persons listed above and

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they have confirmed their written statements of a year ago. Each has stated that he or she has not been politically active since that time.

"In accordance with the recommendation of the Civil Service Commission, I have directed that each one of the employees mentioned above become familiar with the provisions of the political activity circular, Form 1236, copies of which were presented to them."

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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September 1, 1937.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the provisions of Section 7, of the Act of March 1, 1898, I have to report that the work of this Bureau for the month ended August 31, 1937, is not in arrears.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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September 1, 1937.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Complying with Department Circular No. 247, I have to report that no employees of this Bureau have been tardy ten times during the current year.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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September 2, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that promotion of Jewry Kaufman from the position of Clerk, CAF-5, at $2,200 per annum to Skilled Workman at $2,300, on the regular roll of the Philadelphia Mint, approved by the Acting Administrative Assistant to the Secretary on June 28, 1937, be revoked for the reason that this promotion was not approved by the United States Civil Service Commission.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

The Honorable,

The Secretary of State.

Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of August 30, 1937, in reference to our letter of August 4, 1937, with regard to the cost of manufacturing coin for the Government of Nicaragua, your reference RA 817.515/113.

It is understood that the conditions proposed in our letter of August 4, 1937, are acceptable to the Government of Nicaragua.

The Director of the Mint will instruct the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia to proceed with the preparation of this coinage.

Very truly yours,

Secretary of the Treasury.

September 8, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury,
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mr. Michael Long, Carpenter, at $7.40 per diem, employed in the United States Assay Office, New York City, be retired from the service at the close of business September 30, 1937.

Mr. Long will reach the age of 65 years on September 19, at which time he will have served for more than 24 years, making him eligible for retirement at the close of September, 1937.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 13, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 11th, transmitting a translation copy of a note dated August 30, 1937, from the Charge d'Affaires ad interim of Honduras, requesting that the United States Mint at Philadelphia be authorized to strike off certain coinage for the account of the Government of Honduras.

I take pleasure in submitting the following estimate covering the cost of preparing this coinage at the Mint in Philadelphia. Immediately upon receipt of advice from you that these terms are acceptable the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia will be requested to proceed as promptly as possible with the execution of the coinage:

No. of pieces	Denomination	Fine ounces silver		Cost per M
1,500,000	Un Lempira	542,531.25		$7.50
1,000,000	50 Centavos	180,843.75	723,375.00	6.50

It is understood that the coins are to be of the same weight, fineness, diameter, design and device as those previously coined for the Honduran Government, except the change of date to 1937.

The above cost includes working dies and copper for alloy. The shipping boxes will be extra, $0.75 each. There will, however, be a charge of $25.00 for change of date on the master die and hub of the 50 Centavo.

Very truly yours,

Secretary of the Treasury.

September 15, 1937.

The Honorable, The Secretary of the Treasury,
Commissioner of the Public Debt,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The final estimate of the stock of domestic coin in the United States as of August 31, 1937, is as follows:

Silver dollars - - - - - - - - - - - - -	$547,079,825
Subsidiary silver - - - - - - - - - - - -	362,570,687
Minor - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	151,976,024
Total - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	1,061,626,536

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

Y-S

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September 22, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury,
(Division of Appointments)

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that the compensation of Mr. Frederick H. Roehl, Jr. Assayer at the United States Mint at New Orleans, Louisiana, be increased from $6.00 per diem to $2,000 per annum, without change in designation, payable from the appropriation, Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1938, effective October 15, 1937.

Very truly yours,

Director oftthe Mint.

R:D

September 22, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury,
(Division of Appointments)

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that the compensation of Mr. Leonard Nelson, Clerk at the United States Mint at New Orleans, Louisiana, be increased from $1620 to $1740 per annum, without change in designation, payable from the appropriation, Expenses, Silver Purchase and Gold Reserve Acts, Bureau of the Mint, Mints and Assay Offices, 1938, effective October 15, 1937.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:D

September 22, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury
(Division of Appointments)

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that the compensation of Mrs. P.H. Worthington, Clerk Stenographer at the United States Mint at New Orleans, Louisiana, be increased from $1440 to $1500 per annum, without change in designation, payable from the appropriation Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1938, effective October 15, 1937.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:D

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September 22, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury,
(Division of Appointments)

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that the compensation of Mr. Orville C. Beckman, Jr. Assayer at the United States Mint at New Orleans, Louisiana, be increased from $6.00 to $6.50 per diem, without change in designation, payable from the appropriation, Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1938, effective October 15, 1937.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:D

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September 22, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury,
(Division of Appointments)

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that the compensation of Mr. Orville C. Beckman, Jr. Assayer at the United States Mint at New Orleans, Louisiana, be increased from $6.00 to $6.50 per diem, without change in designation, payable from the appropriation, Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1938, effective October 15, 1937.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:D

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September 22, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Division of Appointments)

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mr. Edwin McC. Gatewood, Jr. Assayer at $6.00 per diem at the United States Mint at New Orleans, Louisiana, be transferred to the position of Melter at that institution at a salary of $6.50 per diem, effective October 15, 1937, payable from the appropriation, Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:D

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September 21, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

Under date of September 3rd, a letter was received from the Chinese Ambassador, through your Department, inclosing a check for $3,411.80 in payment of melting charges imposed by the Mint at San Francisco on silver deposited with that Mint for the account of the Central Bank of China.

This letter was transmitted to the Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco and an acknowledgment by the Superintendent of the Mint of the receipt of this check has reached the Bureau of the Mint.

Very truly yours,

Wayne C. Taylor

Secretary of the Treasury.

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September 27, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mr. Charles T. Smith, Assistant Foreman of the Medal Room, $7.04 per diem, employed in the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, be retired from the service at the close of business August 31, 1937.

Mr. Smith reached the age of sixty-five on August 5, 1937, and had served for more than eighteen years, making retirement compulsory at the close of August, 1937.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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September 28, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that the salary of Mr. George Koch, Guard CU-6, at $1,680 per annum, on the regular roll of the Fort Knox Depository, be increased to $1,800 per annum, effective October 1, 1937.

Mr. Koch has charge of a force of guards that protects the largest values in the possession of the Government. The salary requested for him is the same as that received by other Captains of the guard in the Mint institutions.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

E:M

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September 27, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 24th, inclosing a note dated September 22, 1936, from the Charge d'Affaires ad interim of Honduras, stating that the proposed terms for the execution of coinage for his Government are acceptable.

I have taken pleasure in instructing the Director of the Mint to proceed with the execution of this coinage at the earliest possible date. May I request that this Department be instructed whether or not the Government of Honduras has preference as to which denomination of the coins desired is to be executed first.

Very truly yours,

Secretary of the Treasury.

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September 30, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mr. Charles M. Miller, Junior Assayer at $6.50 per diem, on the regular roll of the United States Mint at New Orleans, Louisiana, be promoted to the position of Assistant Assayer in Charge, CAF-6, at $2,400 per annum, effective October 16, 1937.

Attached is form 375 executed by Mr. Miller.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

Enclosure

R:M

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October 1, 1937.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the provisions of Section 7, of the Act of March 1, 1898, I have to report that the work of this Bureau for the month ended September 30, 1937, is not in arrears.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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October 1, 1937.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Complying with Department Circular No. 247, I have to report that no employees of this Bureau have been tardy ten times during the current year.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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October 4, 1937.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury,
Commissioner of the Public Debt,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The preliminary estimate of stock of domestic coins in the United States, as of September 30, 1937, is given below:

Silver dollars - - - - - - - - - - - -	$547,079,825
Subsidiary silver - - - - - - - - - -	364,024,778
Minor - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	152,684,640
Total - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	1,063,789,245

Very truly yours,

F-S

Director of the Mint.

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October 7, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the recommendation for the appointment of Mr. William B. Sweeney as a Helper on the Emergency Roll, effective date of oath, approved by the Administrative Assistant to the Secretary on October 4, 1937, be cancelled for the reason that this recommendation was in error. A new recommendation is being submitted, requesting that he be appointed to the position of Elevator Operator.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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October 7, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mr. Edward Gregg, Sweep Cellar Assistant at $6.80 per diem, in the United States Assay Office, New York City, be retired from the service on account of age at the close of business October 31, 1937.

Mr. Gregg reached the age of sixty-five on October 5, and has had more than fifteen years' service, making retirement compulsory at the close of October, 1937.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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October 8, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the recommendation for the appointment of Mr. William B. Sweeney as a Helper at $5.00 per diem on the Emergency Roll of the Philadelphia Mint, effective date of oath, approved by the Administrative Assistant to the Secretary on October 4, 1937, be cancelled for the reason that this recommendation was in error. A new recommendation is being submitted, requesting his appointment to the position of Elevator Operator on the Emergency Roll.

Respectfully,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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October 13, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury,
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the effective date of the transfer of the following-named men from the position of Roller at $5.00 per diem on the emergency roll of the Philadelphia Mint to temporary positions on the regular roll, with no change in title or salary, for a period of ninety days, be amended from date of oath to October 1, 1937:

Nicholas J. Brennan

Michael F. Burns

These men were selected from Third District U. S. Civil Service Certificate No. 24130, dated September 24, 1937.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

October 1, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the effective date of the transfer of the following-named employees from the position of Roller at $5.00 per diem on the emergency roll of the Philadelphia Mint to temporary positions on the regular roll, with no change in title or salary, for a period of ninety days, be amended from date of oath to October 1, 1937:

Joseph A. Boland	Charles J. Devlin
Sydney C. Engel	William Ferro
John P. Garrison	Norman J. Keen
Frank E. Long	John J. Purtell
Herman W. Uhlein	Alexander Zimba

These men were selected from the Third District U. S. Civil Service Certificate No. 24130, dated September 24, 1937.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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October 1, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the effective date of the transfer of the following-named employees from the position of Melter at $5.00 per diem on the emergency roll of the Philadelphia Mint to temporary positions on the regular roll, with no change in title or salary, for a period of ninety days, be amended from date of oath to October 1, 1937:

Joseph A. Bisch
Griffeth T. Bostic
John T. Brennan
Angelo DiMaggio
Marcus Hund
John F. McGorry
Michael F. Maher
Ignatius A. O'Brien
Lester Ronca
Dennis Satchell
Bernard J. Whitaker
Harry J. Hebenstreet
George Bohs
Raymond A. Bowers
William R. Dee
Joseph T. Flynn
George Johnson
William McNeill
Stanley Mastalski
John J. O'Donnell
James P. Ryan
Stanley Szczurek
James E. Carberry

The above men were selected from Third District U. S. Civil Service Certificate No. 24130, dated September 24, 1937.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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October 1, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury,
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the effective date of the transfer of Mr. Harry J. Hebenstreet from the position of Melter at $5.00 per diem on the emergency roll of the Philadelphia Mint to the temporary position of Melter at the same salary on the regular roll, for a period of ninety days, be amended from date of oath to October 1, 1937.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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October 22, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

There has come to my attention a letter from the Civil Service Commission of October 19th, reporting that an investigation discloses that the record of Mr. Owen Porter Brady, a guard at the Philadelphia Mint, shows an arrest in 1937 for reckless driving while intoxicated. This matter will be investigated immediately.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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October 23, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the name of Eleanor Atwell, Chief File Clerk at $1,800 per annum, on the emergency roll of the Office of the Director of the Mint, be changed on the records of this Department to Mrs. Eleanor A. Bunnell, due to her recent marriage.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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October 21, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 18th, (RA 815.515/113), inclosing a communication received by you from the Charge d'Affaires ad interim of Honduras, in reference to the coinage for his Government.

I have taken pleasure in instructing the Director of the Mint to cause this coinage to be made as promptly as possible.

Very truly yours,

Secretary of the Treasury.

October 27, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Ethel L. Emig, Selector at $4.96 per diem, employed on the regular roll of the Philadelphia Mint, be retired from the service on account of disability.

Attached is Mrs. Emig's application for retirement, accompanied by a certificate from her physician and a statement from her immediate superior as to her physical condition.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosures

MMR

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November 1, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mr. Jewry Kaufman, Clerk at $2,200 per annum on the regular roll of the Philadelphia Mint, be retired from the service on account of disability.

Attached is Mr. Kaufman's application for retirement, accompanied by a certificate from his physician and a statement from his immediate superior as to his physical condition.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

Enclosures

R:M

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November 1, 1937.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Complying with Department Circular No. 247, I have to report that no employees of this Bureau have been tardy ten times during the current year.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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November 1, 1937.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the provisions of Section 7, of the Act of March 1, 1898, I have to report that the work of this Bureau for the month ended October 31, 1937, is not in arrears.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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November 2, 1937.

Mr. F. A. Birgfeld,
Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Attention: Mr. Burns.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with P. C. B. Circular No. 8, you are advised that there were no new appointments, changes in duties, or separations from the service in the Bureau of the Mint for the Month of October, 1937.

The name of Eleanor Atwell, Chief File Clerk, CAF-3, at $1,800 per annum, in the Gold Unit of the Office of the Director of the Mint, was changed on the records of the Department to Mrs. Eleanor A. Bunnell, due to her recent marriage.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Douglas Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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October 30, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to submit for your approval photographs of models of the bar and medal to be presented to Lincoln Ellsworth for claiming on behalf of the United States approximately three hundred and fifty thousand square miles of land in Antarctica, and for his exceptionally meritorious services to science and aeronautics. The striking of this medal was authorized by the Act of June 16, 1936.

The designs, as to artistic merit, have the approval of the Commission of Fine Arts.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Wayne C Taylor

Secretary of the Treasury.

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November 3, 1937.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury,
Commissioner of the Public Debt,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The preliminary estimate of stock of domestic coins in the United States, as of October 31, 1937, is given below:

Silver dollars - - - - - - - - - - - -	$547,079,825
Subsidiary silver - - - - - - - - - -	366,891,313
Minor - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	153,507,887
Total - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	1,067,479,025

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

F-S

November 4, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that a new bond in the amount of $5,000 be prepared for Mr. William R. Welsh who was promoted to the position of Foreman of the Ingot Melting Room of the Denver Mint on May 1, 1935.

Bond in the amount of $3,000 for Mr. Welsh is returned unexecuted.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

Enclosure.

R:M

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November 8, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to refer to the request of the Chinese Ambassador for the manufacture of certain Chinese coins at the Mint in San Francisco. The silver from which the coins are to be made was delivered to the Mint in San Francisco by the Chinese Government in the form of Chinese coinsfor recoinage. The silver resulting from the melting of the coins amounted to 3,019,896.93 fine ounces.

It is understood that the desire of the Chinese Government is to have 1,500,000 fine ounces of the silver manufactured into one-dollar pieces and 1,500,000 fine ounces into half-dollars. This silver will produce 3,240,032 one-dollar pieces and 6,480,064 half-dollars.

The new Mint building in San Francisco was recently completed and the Mint is now in position to undertake this coinage.

The Mint in San Francisco reports that in addition to the copper contained in the melted silver coins it will be necessary for the Chinese Government to supply the San Francisco Mint with 54,000 additional pounds avoirdupois of copper.

Will you please request the Chinese Ambassador to state if he wishes to have the Mint in San Francisco obtain bids on copper and forward a synopsis to him.

Very truly yours,

Wayne C. Taylor

Secretary of the Treasury.

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November 11, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

Enclosed is an application for an advance of sick leave for Mr. Roy T. Algate, an employee of the Office of the Director of the Mint, who was confined to his home because of illness from November 1, 1937 to November 6, 1937, inclusive. At the time of his illness, Mr. Algate had no accrued sick leave, and as of November 1st, he still had to liquidate 14½ days' sick leave previously advanced.

It is respectfully requested that the above advance of sick leave be granted Mr. Algate, inasmuch as his case is meritorious.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

Enclosure

R:M

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November 17, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that Mr. Ezekiel Parke Ellis be appointed for emergency work, effective date of oath, as a Weigh Clerk, CAF-3, in the United States Mint at New Orleans, Louisiana, with compensation at the rate of $1,620 per annum payable from the appropriation, - "Expenses, Silver Purchase and Gold Reserve Acts, Bureau of the Mint, Mints and Assay Offices, 1938", for such period of time as his services may be required and funds are available therefor, but not to extend beyond June 30, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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November 18, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 1st, inclosing a copy of a note dated October 28, 1937, from the Chinese Embassy, expressing the desire of the Chinese Ministry of Finance to have shipped from the Mint at Philadelphia certain master hubs for Chinese coins. (File FE 893.515/1262)

I have taken pleasure in instructing the Director of the Mint to cause one set each, 25th year, 5, 10 and 20-cent nickel master hubs to be shipped direct to the Chinese Legation, Vienna, Austria.

The Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia has a sufficient fund now in his custody to the credit of the Chinese Government to cover the cost of the shipment of these dies. This amount is stated by the express company to be $7.05. If satisfactory to the Chinese Ambassador, the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia will be instructed to use this fund to cover the express charges.

Very truly yours,

Henry Morgenthau

Secretary of the Treasury.

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October 1, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the recommendations dated September 22, 1937, for the promotions of Mr. Orville C. Beckman, Jr. Assayer, from $6.00 per diem to $6.50 per diem, Mr. Frederick H. Roehl, Jr. Assayer, from $6.00 per diem to $2,000 per annum, and Mrs. P. H. Worthington, Clerk-Stenographer, from $1,440 per annum to $1,500 per annum, in the United States Mint at New Orleans, Louisiana, approved by the Acting Administrative Assistant to the Secretary on September 23, 1937, be amended to read effective October 16, 1937.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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November 24, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

For your information, I send a copy of a letter received from the Superintendent of the Philadelphia Mint, and a copy of the letter I have written him, in reference to the charges against Mr. Owen P. Brady, Assistant Captain of the Guard, made by the U. S. Civil Service Commission in a letter dated October 19th, (File A:ETK:MOB).

I very much appreciate the assistance given by the Commission in conveying to me the facts bearing on this matter.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

Enclosures

R:M

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November 24, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that the salary of Mr. Kenneth M. Failor, Auditor, CAF-6, at $2,300 per annum, in the Silver Unit of the Office of the Director of the Mint, be increased, effective December 1, 1937, to $2,700 per annum, salary to be payable from the appropriation, "Expenses, Silver Purchase and Gold Reserve Acts, Bureau of the Mint, Mints and Assay Offices, 1938", for such period of time as his services may be required on such work and funds are available therefor, but not to extend beyond June 30, 1938.

Mr. Failor has shown much efficiency in handling the important work that has been assigned to him. His responsibilities have been sharply increased in the last year. Much of the time the head of the Silver Unit, Dr. Frank Leland Howard, has been used, and will be used, in the field and in various capacities in the Bureau. During his absences, Mr. Failor has been in complete charge and has directed, in a highly satisfactory manner, the activities of the entire staff. The quantity and quality of his work well entitles him, I feel, to the increase that is requested.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

(St e Dept. File PR 093.115 Lincoln Prize/1)

November 23, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 20th, inclosing a copy of a despatch from the American Ambassador at Rome, transmitting a copy of a letter from Mr. Kenneth Scott, an American citizen residing in Italy.

In response to your letter I take pleasure in inclosing a copy of the Medal Circular, which gives a list of medals available to the public at the Mint in Philadelphia. The Lincoln medal listed is about three inches in diameter, bears the portrait of Lincoln on one side and a wreath inclosing the words "Inaugurated President of the United States March 4, 1861 Second Term March 4, 1865 -- Assassinated April 14, 1865."

The medal can be reproduced in gold, silver or bronze. Bronze copies of this medal are for sale at $1.00. An unlimited number can be obtained from the Mint if desired.

Very truly yours,

Wayne C. Taylor

Secretary of the Treasury.

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November 22, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 20th, in reference to a letter from this Department dated November 8th, in regard to the minting of certain Chinese coins, and inclosing a copy of a note of November 15, 1937, from the Chinese Ambassador relating to the amount of copper needed in the manufacture of these coins. (File FE 893.515/1265)

I have taken pleasure in instructing the Director of the Mint to have the Mint at San Francisco obtain bids on copper required for the coinage and to forward a synopsis of bids to this Department for transmission through your Department to the Chinese Ambassador.

Very truly yours,

Wayne C. Taylor

Secretary of the Treasury.

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November 30, 1937.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your circular letter of November 30th, relative to a document entitled "Reports to be made to Congress".

The Bureau of the Mint makes no report directly to Congress.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

December 1, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that Mr. Jewry Kaufman, Clerk at $2,200 per annum, on the regular roll of the Philadelphia Mint, be dropped from the service at the close of business October 28, 1937, because of physical disability.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

December 1, 1937.

Mr. F. A. Birgfeld,
Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Attention: Mr. Burns.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with P. C. B. Circular No. 8, you are advised that there were no new appointments, changes in duties, or separations from the service in the Bureau of the Mint for the month of November, 1937.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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December 1, 1937.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the provisions of Section 7, of the Act of March 1, 1898, I have to report that the work of this Bureau for the month ended November 30, 1937, is not in arrears.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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December 1, 1937.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Complying with Department Circular No. 247, I have to report that no employees of this Bureau have been tardy ten times during the current year.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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December 3, 1937.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of December 1st, relative to the "Pan American Exposition" to be held in Tampa, Florida, during the month of January 1939.

If an exhibit by the Mint Service is to be supplied it will consist principally of medals. It will not be possible to spare any machinery.

The estimated cost of such a display would be approximately $2,200.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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December 1, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to refer to your letter of November 1st, inclosing a copy of a note dated October 28, 1937, from the Chinese Legation, in regard to the desire of the Chinese Ministry of Finance to have made at the Mint at Philadelphia certain hubs for Chinese coins. (FE 893.515/1262)

In response to your request the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia was directed to prepare and ship one set each, 25th Year, 5, 10 and 20¢ nickel master hubs to the Chinese Legation, Vienna, Austria. This shipment will go forward on the S/S Manhattan, sailing from New York on December 1, 1937.

Very truly yours,

Secretary of the Treasury.

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December 4, 1937.

Memorandum Chief Clerk, Treasury Department.

In compliance with Procurement Division communication of November 30, 1937, the following estimate of purchases to conform with the President's program is submitted for the months December - February, inclusive:

December - - - - - -	$100,000
January - - - - - -	20,000
February - - - - -	15,000

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

F:d

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December 7, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the recommendation dated December 1, 1937, for the discharge of Mr. Jewry Kaufman, Clerk at $2,200 per annum, on the regular roll of the Philadelphia Mint, on October 28, 1937, approved by the Acting Administrative Assistant to the Secretary on December 2, 1937, be cancelled inasmuch as the Superintendent of the Philadelphia Mint has forwarded a new recommendation.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

December 16, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I am enclosing the application of Mrs. Thelma W. Farlow, Stenographer, employed in the Gold Unit of the Bureau of the Mint, for an extension of sick leave in the amount of 8 3/4 days (3/4 day November 12, 8 days November 13-20, inclusive).

I request that this extension be granted Mrs. Farlow because I believe her case to be meritorious. She was confined to the hospital and to her home during this period recovering from a surgical operation.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

Enclosure

R:M

December 16, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to your letter of December 13th, inclosing a note of December 4, 1937, from the Chinese Ambassador in regard to the acceptance of the bid of the Chase Brass and Copper Company for an additional amount of copper needed in the manufacture of certain Chinese coins to be made at the Mint in San Francisco. (File FE 893.515/1272)

The Superintendent of the Mint in San Francisco has been instructed to proceed with the negotiations for this copper.

Very truly yours,

Secretary of the Treasury.

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December 15, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to a letter of this Department dated January 26, 1937, in response to a letter received from the Ambassador of China dated January 19, 1937, requesting the execution of certain coinage for his Government. The Mint at San Francisco is now in position to undertake this coinage. (File FE-893.515/1216)

The cost of coinage, as indicated in our letter of January 26th, will be as follows:

1,500,000 ozs. = $3,240,032 @ $9 per thousand =		$ 29,160.28
1,500,000 ozs. = 6,480,064 @ 7 per thousand =		45,360.44
		$ 74,520.72
Copper -		2,430.00
Boxes for packing- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -		6,026.40
		$ 82,977.12

I have the honor to recommend that the Ambassador of China be requested to forward to the Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco funds in the above amount, namely $82,977.12, to cover the entire charges for the coinage requested. The Superintendent at San Francisco will be requested to hold this fund in a special deposit account for credit of the Ambassador of China. He will be instructed to make payment for the copper for alloy, amounting to $6,026.40, and for the boxes for shipping, amounting to $2,430.00. The coinage charges will be collected by the Superintendent from time to time as the coinage is executed. There is standing to the credit of the Ambassador of China at the Mint in Philadelphia a balance of $1,752.57. If it is the desire of the Ambassador that this should be deducted from $82,977.12, this fund of $1,752.57 can be transferred to his credit at San Francisco. This would reduce the total amount to be requested to $81,224.55.

Very truly yours,

Secretary of the Treasury.

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December 16, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Navy,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of December 14th, requesting the manufacture, at the Mint at Philadelphia, of certain medals for the United States Marine Corps.

The Director of the Mint has today been instructed to forward this order to the Mint at Philadelphia for immediate compliance with your request.

Very truly yours,

Secretary of the Treasury.

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December 18, 1937.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your circular letter of December 6th, referring further to a communication dated December 4, 1937, advising of the formation of a committee to represent the Treasury Department before the Federal Fire Council.

I designate Mr. Timothy J. Quirk to act as contact or liaison officer with your committee.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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December 30, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of the communication from the United States Civil Service Commission, (File SRR:MVC:LAK), regarding a letter it has received from the National Federation of Federal Employees bringing to the attention of that office the question of the assignment of melters and refinery employees of the Mint service of the Treasury Department to the 62-year retirement age group.

I have written the heads of the Mint field institutions where melters and refiners are employed regarding the above question, and submit the following information for the Commission's review:

A change from the 65-year retirement group to the 62-year retirement group for Melters and refiners would affect employees in the following positions:

Foreman of Deposit Melting Room
Foreman Refinery Melting Room
Foreman Ingot Melting Room
Melter
Skilled Workman
Helper

A description of the duties of each of the positions of Melter, skilled workman and helper follows:

Melter

Under general supervision, performs the work involved in operating and controlling gas and oil melting furnaces, maintaining the proper furnace temperatures for each alloy; stirs the molten metals to insure proper mixtures for assay determinations and for castings; pours into

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the molds the gold, silver nickel and bronze metals necessary in minting operations; inspects and charges the crucibles with the metal being run, maintaining the proper carbon cover to keep oxidation and volatilization losses at a minimum; makes the assay dips and prepares the same for assay; recovers adhesions of gold and silver from melting furnaces; obtains maximum crucible working life; uses the proper fluxes and alloys required for maximum recovery, and to properly skim the slag.

Skilled Workman

Under general supervision, performs responsible work involved in accurately weighing to the hundredth of an ounce, gold, silver, nickel, and bronze bars, ingots, clippings, condemned coin, and scrap; keeps a record of the weight of each bar and makes the necessary computation of gross to fine ounces, maintaining the accounts incident thereto; numbers and stamps bars; checks weigh bullion deposits; weighs the necessary alloys and to assist in assembling melts for the ingot rooms, refinery, and for other purposes.

Also under general supervision, carries out prescribed methods of refining gold and silver bullion by electrolysis; assists in the preparation of gold chloride and silver nitrate to be used in the standardization of the electrolyte; removes refined gold and silver from cells; removes and replaces anodes and cathodes; removes residues from cells; reduces gold and silver chlorides to the metallic; washes residues free of acid and recovers the gold and silver from the wash waters; precipitates the gold, silver and copper from foul electrolytes.

Helper

Under supervision of foreman melter, assists in the performance of work, other than actual melting, incident to the operation of a melting room; greases and prepares moulds for casting; removes bars from moulds; pickles, cleans and numbers bars; lifts ingot moulds with ingots therein from pouring tray to opening table; opens moulds and removes ingots; pickles, washes and removes rough edges from ingots; tops, or cuts the gate end of ingots; numbers the melts of ingots; removes and crushes the slag, recovering by pan washing the retained metallic granules; scrapes crucibles for recovery of precious metals; cleans up and recovers all possible gold and silver values from melting room floors, flues and equipment; assists in the operations of the sweep cellar for the recovery of gold and silver from waste materials; assists in the operation of crushers, milling or grinding machines, incinerators, amalgamators, drying pans and sump tanks; assists in the screening, mixing and sampling of tailings for assay; sacks tailings for sale purposes.

Also under general supervision, receives, checks, segregates, and assists in the weighing in and sampling of silver bullion received for

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deposit; piles bullion in vaults; receives, counts, and reviews receipts of uncurrent coin; piles in vaults coin delivered by coiner to the Superintendent; prepares for shipment coin for disbursement.

In view of the fact that the character of the work carried on in the Melting and Refining Department is of such a nature, considering the trying summer heat conditions, the hazards incident to working with and around molten metals, and the handling of heavy materials, I am convinced that all employees in this class should be retired at the age of sixty-two.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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January 3, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mr. Quentin J. Barker, Clerk employed in the United States Mint at San Francisco, California, be retired from the service on account of disability.

Enclosed is Mr. Barker's application for retirement on account of disability, accompanied by a certificate from his attending physician and a statement from his immediate superior officer.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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R:M

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January 4, 1938.

Mr. F. A. Birgfeld,
Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Attention: Mr. Burns.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with P. C. B. Circular No. 8, you are advised that the following changes were made in the personnel of the Office of the Director of the Mint during the month of December, 1937:

New Appointment

Larner, Dorothy T., appointed to position of Senior Stenographer, CAF-3, at $1,620 per annum, on December 8, 1937, emergency roll.

Change in Duties

Bunnell, Charles J., File Clerk, CAF-2, at $1,440 per annum, emergency roll, promoted to position of Assistant Clerk, CAF-3, at $1,620 per annum, on December 1, 1937.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

January 12, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mr. Hugh A. Gray, Prover at $7.04 per diem, in the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, be retired from the service on account of age at the close of business December 31, 1937.

Attached is Mr. Gray's application for annuity. Mr. Gray reached the age of 65 years on December 24, 1937, and had served for more than 21 years, making him eligible for retirement in December, 1937.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

Enclosure

R:M

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January 15, 1938.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the provisions of Section 7, of the Act of March 1, 1898, I have to report that the work of this Bureau for the month ended December 31, 1937, is not in arrears.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

January 15, 1938.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Complying with Department Circular No. 247, I have to report that no employees of this Bureau have been tardy ten times during the current year.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

o'r/eh

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January 15, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the bond of Mr. Hugh T. Rippeto, Assayer in Charge of the United States Mint in New Orleans, Louisiana, in the amount of $20,000, be made effective February 1, 1938.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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January 15, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that a bond in the amount of $3,000 be prepared for Mr. Callie M. Massie, Helper at $5.00 per diem, employed in the United States Mint at Denver, Colorado. Mr. Massie was appointed to the position of Helper on July 1, 1936.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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The Honorable
The Secretary of State,
Department of State,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to transmit under separate cover a series of interrogatories prepared by the Director of the Mint, regarding production, coinage, industrial consumption, and monetary stock of gold and silver, as well as other monetary matters, and request that they be transmitted to representatives of the United States accredited to the foreign Governments indicated on the face of the interrogatories. Copies of comparative tables, compiled principally from answers to interrogatories of prior years, are also being forwarded with the current interrogatories, with the suggestion that they be distributed by United States representatives where they may stimulate interest in answers which will provide information for making future similar tables as complete as possible.

The information elicited by these interrogatories is for the use of the Director of the Mint, who for many years has collected and published statistics relating to the subjects specified.

With a view to increasing the usefulness of the interrogatories it is suggested that the Department of State, in its letter of conveyal include the following specific comments:

1. Where actual statistics are not available, estimates or opinions of experts are very urgently desired. Any such figures included in the report should, of course, be clearly designated as estimated.

2. Where not even estimates or authoritative opinions can be obtained, a definite statement to this effect is desired.

3. In view of the importance of the information to the Treasury and to the public, it is desired that in filling out the questionnaire the greatest care be exercised and every effort made to make the information as complete as possible.

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It is suggested that the following possible sources of information, regarding these subjects, be enumerated for the guidance of the representatives to whom these inquiries are addressed: Government Treasuries; Finance Departments; Mints; Statistical Bureaus; Mining and Geological Bureaus; Boards of Trade and Commerce; Customs Bureaus; Scientific Societies (especially Mining and Enginnering), and technical experts of recognized standing. This suggestion is made for the reason that inquiries have, at times, been dropped because the information could not be obtained from one source, when it might have been obtained from other sources.

It will greatly facilitate the compiling of statistics if the United States representatives follow up their inquiries, thus contributing to expedite matters, and forward answers directly to the Director of the Mint, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C., U.S.A., so as to reach Washington by October first. Data received after that date are too late for publication during the current year.

The co-operation of the State Department and its representatives abroad will be highly appreciated by the Director of the Mint.

Very truly yours,

Secretary of the Treasury.

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January 18, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to submit for your approval a sketch of the medal to be presented to George M. Cohan in recognition of his services during the World War. The striking of this medal was authorized by the Act of June 29, 1936.

The design, as to its artistic merits, has the approval of the Commission of Fine Arts.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Secretary of the Treasury.

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January 24, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the bond of Mr. Mark L. Skinner, Superintendent of the United States Mint, Denver, Colorado, in the amount of $100,000, dated January 18, 1938, be made effective February 1, 1938.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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January 25, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

Enclosed is an application for an advance of sick leave for Mr. Roy T. Algate, an employee of the Office of the Director of the Mint, who was confined to his home because of illness from January 17 to January 22, inclusive. At the time of his illness, Mr. Algate had no accrued sick leave, and as of January 1st, he still had to liquidate 24½ days' sick leave previously advanced.

It is respectfully requested that the above advance of sick leave be granted Mr. Algate, inasmuch as his case is meritorious.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosure

MDM

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January 29, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the recommendation for the suspension of Mr. Goodman Schwartz, Guard at $1,680 per annum, on the emergency roll of the Philadelphia Mint, commencing January 21, 1938, without pay and until further notice pending an investigation relative to charges made against him, be cancelled. The Superintendent states that nothing detrimental to Mr. Schwartz's character can be found and he feels that an injustice has been done.

The above recommendation was approved by the Administrative Assistant to the Secretary on January 21, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

February 1, 1938.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Complying with Department Circular No. 247, I have to report that no employees of this Bureau have been tardy ten times during the current year.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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February 1, 1938.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the provisions of Section 7, of the Act of March 1, 1898, I have to report that the work of this Bureau for the month ended January 31, 1938, is not in arrears.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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February 1, 1938.

Mr. F. A. Birgfeld,
Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Attention: Mr. Burns.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with P. C. B. Circular No. 8, you are advised that there were no new appointments, changes in duties, or separations from the service in the Bureau of the Mint for the month of January, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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February 1, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 29th, inclosing a copy of a note dated January 25, 1938, from the Chinese Ambassador, on the subject of the minting of certain Chinese coins and attaching a check from the Embassy for $81,224.55 to cover the cost of such coinage. (File FE 893.515/1278)

The Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco has been instructed to make preparations immediately for the execution of the coinage desired by the Government of China.

The money forwarded by the Chinese Government will be carried by the Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco in a special deposit account and appropriate reports made upon the expenditure of this money as the coinage proceeds. It is understood that this coinage is to be executed under the terms expressed in a letter addressed to you under date of December 15, 1937. The total cost of the coinage will be $82,977.12. There is held in a special deposit account by the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia a balance due the Chinese Government amounting to $1,752.57. This will be transferred to the custody of the Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco, added to the amount represented in the check acknowledged above, amounting to $81,224.55, and will be applied to the total estimate for the coinage, namely $82,977.12.

Very truly yours,

Wayne C Taylor

Secretary of the Treasury.

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February 4, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the recommendation for the discharge of Mr. Henry E. McCann, Helper at $5.00 per diem, on the emergency roll of the Philadelphia Mint, approved by the Administrative Assistant to the Secretary on January 13, 1938, be cancelled, inasmuch as Mr. McCann's name was included inadvertently in the group to be dropped.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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February 5, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Dr. Frank Leland Howard, Sr. Administrative Assistant (Supervisor, Silver Unit), CAF-9, at $3,800 per annum, be promoted, effective February 7, 1938, to the position of Examiner, CAF-11, with compensation at the rate of $3,800 per annum payable from the appropriation, "Expenses, Silver Purchase and Gold Reserve Acts, 1938", for such period of time as his services may be required on such work and funds are available therefor, but not to extend beyond June 30, 1938.

The position of Examiner on the emergency roll of the Bureau of the Mint was approved in Grade CAF-11 by the U. S. Civil Service Commission on February 3, 1938, and the classification sheet was received in the Administrative Office on February 4, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

The Honorable,

The Secretary of State.

Sir:

Reference is made to your communication RA of January 26, 1938, relative to the amount of nickel coinage of the Panama Government now in circulation, stated to be 66,640 balboas, and requesting confirmation from the records of the United States Mint Service.

It appears that a Panama Decree of 1930 provided for silver coins of the balboa monetary unit while prior laws provided for coins of the peso monetary unit, the peso being equivalent to 1/2 balboa. As to minor coins, the time of their change to a balboa basis is unknown to the United States Mint Bureau. That Bureau has been unable to ascertain the provisions of the Panama coinage laws of 1917 and 1927, which are referred to in communications which have come to hand. However, it was understood at the time the Mint informally supplied a table to the Department of State showing the coinage for Panama by the United States Mint, that the 1929 coinage was fractional to the peso monetary unit, while information with your communication of January 26, 1938, appears to indicate that the 1929 coinage circulates as fractional to the balboa. Since the old 5-centesimo coins, fractions of the peso, were silver coins, the 5-centesimo coins manufactured in 1929 were erroneously carried on the tabulation supplied the Department of State in March 1936 as silver coins. Amended tabulation is forwarded herewith, showing such coins as having actually been nickel, with corresponding amendments of the stated aggregate values to indicate that the coins circulate as fractions of the balboa instead of the peso.

The 10,000 balboa of nickel coin struck prior to 1929 are apparently no longer in circulation and the amended tabulation therefore brings the data thereon into conformity with the information accompanying your communication of January 26, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Secretary of the Treasury.

Enclosure.

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February 10, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

The Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco is about to undertake the coinage requested by the Chinese Government. The Superintendent has asked to be advised if the Chinese Government will have a representative present to witness the boxing and take delivery of the coins after completed.

I have the honor to recommend that the Chinese Ambassador be asked to forward to this Department appropriate instructions to be transmitted to the Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco.

Very truly yours,

Secretary of the Treasury.

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February 15, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mr. Edward B. Weaver, Assistant Foreman of the Coining Room, at $7.66 per diem, in the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, be retired from the service on account of disability.

Attached is Mr. Weaver's application for disability retirement. Also attached are statements from Mr. Weaver's physician and his immediate superior, Mr. Bartholomew, regarding his physical condition and ability to continue the performance of his duties.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

Enclosures

R:M

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February 15, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that Mr. Guy H. Richardson, former Chief Clerk and Assistant Assayer in the United States Assay Office, Helena, Montana, be retired from the service.

The Assay Office in Helena was closed on June 30, 1933, because Congress did not appropriate the necessary funds for its continuance, and Mr. Richardson was involuntary separated from the service on that date. He is therefore eligible for retirement, having served for more than fifteen years and is over 45 years of age.

Attached is Mr. Richardson's application for retirement.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

Enclosure

R:M

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February 25, 1938.

Mr. F. A. Birgfeld,
Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Birgfeld:

Reference is made to your letter of February 23rd.

This Bureau would appreciate your courtesy if you will supply us with one copy of Volume II of the bound edition of the Federal Register.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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March 1, 1938.

Mr. F. A. Birgfeld,
Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Attention: Mr. Burns.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with P. C. B. Circular No. 8, you are advised that there were no new appointments, changes in duties, or separations from the service in the Bureau of the Mint for the month of February, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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March 1, 1938.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Complying with Department Circular No. 247, I have to report that no employees of this Bureau have been tardy ten times during the current year.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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March 1, 1938.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the provisions of Section 7, of the Act of March 1, 1898, I have to report that the work of this Bureau for the month ended February 28, 1938, is not in arrears.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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March 11, 1938.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In reference to your transmittal of "Recommended Commercial Standard for Marking Articles of Karat Gold" and "Proposed Commercial Standard, Marking Platinum", submitted by the National Bureau of Standards, you are advised that this Bureau has no comments or suggestions to make on these subjects.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

Q/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 479

March 14, 1938.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your circular letter of February 25th, requesting to be advised as to the numbers and capacities of solder pots purchased by the Mint Service during the past twelve months.

A survey of the Mints and Assay Offices discloses that none of the institutions have purchased or are using electric solder pots.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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March 15, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury,
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that the effective date of the transfer of Harold Bell, from the position of Helper to the position of Messenger at $5.00 per diem on the regular roll of the Philadelphia Mint, be amended from March 1, 1938, to March 16, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Ellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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March 31, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mr. Bernard A. Dever, Roller at $6.56 in the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, be retired from the service on account of disability.

Attached is Mr. Dever's application for disability retirement. Also attached are statements from Mr. Dever's physician and his immediate superior officer regarding his ability to continue in the service.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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April 1, 1938.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the provisions of Section 7, of the Act of March 1, 1898, I have to report that the work of this Bureau for the month ended March 31, 1938, is not in arrears.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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April 1, 1938.

Mr. F. A. Birgfeld,
Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Attention: Mr. Burns.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with P. C. B. Circular No. 8, you are advised that there were no new appointments, changes in duties, or separations from the service in the Bureau of the Mint for the month of March, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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April 1, 1938.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Complying with Department Circular No. 247, I have to report that no employees of this Bureau have been tardy ten times during the current year.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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April 1, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that Mr. Harry L. Trowbridge, Clerk, CAF-3, at $1,680 per annum, in the United States Assay Office, New York City, be retired from the service on account of disability.

Attached is Mr. Trowbridge's application for disability retirement. Also attached are statements from his physician and his immediate superior officer regarding Mr. Trowbridge's ability to continue in the service.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

Enclosures

April 4, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mr. Malcolm D. Wilkie, Watchman and Chief Doorkeeper, CU-6, in the United States Mint at San Francisco, California, be retired from the service on April 30, 1938, on account of age.

Attached is Mr. Wilkie's application for retirement. Mr. Wilkie will reach the age of 70 on April 18th and has served for more than twenty years, making retirement compulsory at the end of April, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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April 13, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mr. James F. Cassin, Skilled Workman at $6.80 per annum, in the United States Assay Office at New York, New York, be retired from the service on account of age on April 30, 1938.

Attached is Mr. Cassin's application for retirement. Mr. Cassin reached the age of 65 on April 2, 1938, and has served for more than 28 years, making retirement compulsory at the close of April, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosure

MDM

April 19, 1938.

Mr. A. J. Strong,
235 Eason Avenue,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 14th, referring again to a coin in septagon shape. As you are no doubt aware, an Act of Congress would be necessary before any alteration could be made in the type of coin.

Your suggestions have again been given attentive consideration. However, it is the opinion of the Department that the inconvenience of handling and stacking coins with projecting angles would undoubtedly meet with protest from the public, particularly from the business world.

Very truly yours,

Secretary of the Treasury.

April 25, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury,
Division of Bookkeeping and Warrants.

Dear Sir:

Herewith please find claim of E. M. McLachlan for payment of the net value of the bullion deposit made by him at the San Francisco Mint in 1920. Collection was not made on this deposit at the time for reasons not now apparent, and the amount due the depositor, $17.86, was covered into the Treasury under the heading of Trust Fund - "Unclaimed Bullion Deposits" by Certificate of Deposit No. 9 dated January 18, 1923. Mint Bureau letter requesting the deposit of the amount in question to the credit of the trust fund was forwarded to the Division of Bookkeeping and Warrants January 30, 1923.

The claimant makes reference to a receipt which was lost. This refers to Mint form 7A, copy attached, which is a receipt given by the Mint for bullion received, the value of which is to be determined. The Mint Regulations relative to lost bullion receipts read as follows:

> "In case the depositor should lose his receipt for bullion deposited, it will be necessary for him, before payment can be made, to give notice of the loss of said receipt by advertising it once a week for two weeks in some newspaper in the city in which the institution where the deposit was made is located, and then to give a bond of indemnity in double the value of the deposit."

In view of the long time which has elapsed since the receipt in question was issued, and of the small amount of the claim, it is suggested that the requirement for issuing bond of indemnity be waived.

Mr. McLachlan's claim in the form of a letter is accompanied by letter of the Superintendent of the San Francisco Mint dated April 18, 1938, giving the details pertaining to the deposit. It is recommended that the claim be paid in the sum of $17.86 from the Trust Fund - "Unclaimed Bullion Deposits".

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

F:d Enclosures.

April 26, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the recommendation for the appointment of Walter A. Perkins as an emergency guard at $1,680 per annum in the United States Assay Office in Seattle, Washington, be cancelled inasmuch as it has been discovered that Mr. Perkins does not have a clear record. The recommendation for the appointment of Mr. Perkins was approved by the Acting Administrative Assistant to the Secretary on April 13, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

April 28, 1938.

Mr. J. W. Peed, Asst. Chief,
Purchase Division,
Procurement Division,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 25th, addressed to the Acting Director of the Mint, relative to typewriters.

The purchase of four noiseless typewriters, under your Purchase Order No. 4667, dated July 30, 1937, Bureau of the Mint Requisition No. 1, dated July 13, 1937, is approved, in accordance with provisions of the Appropriation Act for the Treasury and Post Office Departments for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1938.

The need of this type of machine was imperative because of the small size of the rooms where, in addition to typing, people are engaged in dictations and auditing.

Very truly yours,

Acting Secretary of the Treasury.

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May 2, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of the communication from the United States Civil Service Commission concerning the service of Edward J. Dugan who was employed in the Mint at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Edward J. Dugan and Edward Dugan are two different people, both of whom were employed in the Philadelphia Mint. The record of Edward J. Dugan, who was born September 5, 1885, is as follows:

5-1-35 - Apptd. emergency heoper, $5.00 per diem
7-25-35 - Dropped - reduction of force

The record of Edward Dugan, who was born January 12, 1904, is as follows:

7-15-36 - Apptd. emergency helper, $5.00 per diem
4-1-37 - Change of appropriation
7-1-37 - Change of appropriation
9-17-37 - Dropped - reduction of force
9-27-37 - Apptd. emergency helper, $5.00 per diem
12-20-37 - Dropped - reduction of force

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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May 2, 1938.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Complying with Department Circular No. 247, I have to report that no employees of this Bureau have been tardy ten times during the current year.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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May 2, 1938.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the provisions of Section 7, of the Act of March 1, 1898, I have to report that the work of this Bureau for the month ended April 30, 1938, is not in arrears.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

May 2, 1938.

Mr. F. A. Birgfeld,
Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Attention: Mr. Burns.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with P. C. B. Circular No. 8, you are advised that there were no changes in duties or separations from the service in the Bureau of the Mint for the month of April, 1938. Miss Margaret Stricker was appointed to the position of Senior Stenographer, CAF-3, at $1,620 per annum, on the emergency roll of this office on April 11, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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April 7, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

Further in connection with the change in title of Mr. Peter Palumbo from the position of Unskilled Laborer at $6.80 per diem to the position of Skilled Workman at $6.80 per diem in the United States Assay Office at New York, I have the honor to request that this recommendation be made effective April 16, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

February 26, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

Further in connection with the change in title of Mr. John Russo from the position of Unskilled Workman at $6.00 per diem to the position of Skilled Workman at $6.00 per diem in the United States Assay Office at New York, I have the honor to recommend that this change in title be made effective March 1st, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

March 4, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

Further in connection with the change in title of Mr. Dominick Angelone from the position of Unskilled Laborer at $6.30 per diem to the position of Skilled Workman at $6.30 per diem in the United States Assay Office at New York, I have the honor to request that this recommendation be made effective March 7th, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

May 4, 1938.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

This letter is to advise you that the space in the District National Bank Building now occupied by a part of the force of this Bureau will be needed during the coming year.

This letter is submitted in view of the proximity of the date for renewing the lease.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

May 6, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Navy,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 4th, relative to the preparation at the Mint at Philadelphia of certain master hubs and dies for Marine Corps medals.

I have taken pleasure in instructing the Director of the Mint to cause the dies and medals to be prepared at the Mint at Philadelphia.

Very truly yours,

Wayne C Taylor

Acting Secretary of the Treasury.

May 10, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mr. Lawrence A. Curran, Clerk, CAF-5, at $2,300 per annum, in the United States Assay Office, New York, New York, be retired from the service on account of age on May 31, 1938.

Mr. Curran will reach the age of seventy on May 23, 1938, and will have served for approximately twenty years, making retirement compulsory at the close of May 1938.

Attached is Mr. Curran's application for retirement on account of age.

Very truly yours,

N. M. Crawford

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

May 10, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mr. Joseph J. Swicker, Clerk-Stenographer, CAF-4, at $1,860 per annum, be transferred, effective May 10, 1938, to the position of Clerk, CAF-4, at $1,860 per annum, on the regular roll of the Office of the Director of the Mint.

The position of Clerk on the regular roll of this Bureau was approved by the Civil Service Commission in grade CAF-4 on May 6, 1938. The classification sheet was received in the Administrative Office on May 7, 1938.

It is further requested that the position of Clerk-Stenographer, CAF-4, at $1,860 per annum, formerly held by Mr. Swicker, be abolished effective May 9, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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May 10, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

Further in connection with the communication from the Civil Service Commission dated February 11, 1937, relative to the misassignment of Mr. Joseph J. Swicker to the position of Clerk-Stenographer, CAF-4, at $1,800 per annum, in the Office of the Director of the Mint, you are advised that a new classification sheet for the position of Clerk, CAF-4, for Mr. Swicker was submitted to the Civil Service Commission in March, 1937, upon a reassignment of work which was entirely clerical in character.

The Commission approved the position of Clerk, CAF-4, for the Bureau of the Mint on May 6, 1938, and recommendation has been made that Mr. Swicker be transferred from his present position of Clerk-Stenographer, CAF-4, at $1,860 per annum, to the new position of Clerk, CAF-4, at $1,860 per annum, effective May 10, 1938.

Very truly yours,

M. M. [illegible]

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

May 16, 1938.

The Honorable,

The Secretary of State,

Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 14th (RA 821.515/116), enclosing a copy of a communication dated May 12th, 1938, No. 886, from the Legation of Colombia, requesting authorization for the coinage of certain nickel coins in the United States Mint in Philadelphia for the Bank of the Republic (of Colombia).

I have taken pleasure in instructing the Director of the Mint to proceed with the preparation of this coinage. An estimate of the cost of the coinage and the quantity of metals required are as follows:

		Avoirdupois Pounds		
Denomination	No. of Pieces	Copper	Nickel	Cost per M.
1 Centavo	7,920,174	26,190.8839	8,730.2949	$2.50
2 Centavos	3,872,348	19,207.9522	6,402.6507	2.75
5 Centavos	3,867,026	25,575.4053	8,525.1346	3.00
		70,974.2414	23,658.0802	

It is understood that the coins are to be 75% copper and 25% nickel and similar to those made in 1935, except the date, which will be 1938. The coinage charge includes working dies, but does not include the cost of the metals.

The cost of the change of date on the dies of each denomination will be $25.00 each, or a total of $75.00. The cost of the boxes required in packing the coins for shipment is $0.75 each.

It is expected the Mint at Philadelphia will coin 3,872,348 2-Centavo pieces before the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Acting Secretary of the Treasury.

May 19, 1938.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your circular letter of May 5th, relative to a card index to be maintained in the 15th Street lobby of the Treasury Department for the purpose of furnishing the public with information as to the location of various Treasury activities.

For information relative to coinage and kindred matters the public should be directed to Room 182, which is the Office of the Director of the Mint.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

May 20, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

It is with regret that I report the death of Mr. Charles J. Sweeney, Helper at $5.00 per diem on the emergency roll of the United States Mint in Denver, at 4:00 P. M., May 13, 1938.

Very truly yours,

M. M. Reily

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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May 19, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 26th, File Ref: 811.515/1243 US/LM, transmitting a list of questions upon which the Deputy Master and Comptroller of the Royal Mint of Great Britain desires information relative to coinage executed in the United States, this information to cover the year ending December 31, 1937.

In response to your request I take pleasure in returning the questionnaire forms with the desired date.

Very truly yours,

Acting Secretary of the Treasury.

Inclosures.

May 23, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the name of Louise Carter, Stenographer, CAF-3, at $1,620 per annum, on the emergency roll of the Office of the Director of the Mint, be changed to Louise Cobb due to her recent marriage.

Mrs. Cobb's date of birth is March 13, 1912.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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May 26, 1938

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with your request of May 25, 1938, please be advised that the following amounts of rent have been paid by Mint Services for the use of adding machines, bookkeeping machines, calculating machines, and other mechanical devices for the years 1935, 1936, and 1937:

Rental of Coin Counting Machines	Calendar year basis	Fiscal year basis
1935	$ 203.94	$ 22.66
1936	45.32	226.60
1937	00.00	00.00
	$ 249.26	$249.26

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

F:d

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May 25, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

In reply to the Commission's letter of April 25, 1938, in which it refers to its letter of March 29, 1937, granting authority for the temporary appointment on the regular roll of the Bureau of the Mint of persons employed without civil service status on the emergency roll subject to certain limitations, I call to the Commission's attention that the conditions surrounding the employment of Mr. Morlock and Mr. Chute existed prior to March 29, 1937, and that the limitations in the third paragraph of the Commission's letter have been adhered to since that time in so far as it is humanly possible.

The augmentation of work brought about by the enactment of the Gold Reserve and Silver Purchase Acts has been reflected in every Department in the Mint Service and has required an expansion of personnel as well as of space. The emergency fund was provided to take care of such matters as this. As for the regular appropriation, it has been inadequate to meet even ordinary demands that would have presented themselves regardless of new legislation, and positions, whenever possible, have been left unfilled because of unsufficient funds. We are at present running on such a close margin with respect to the regular appropriation that we are challenged to make it cover the expenses of the present force to the end of the fiscal year. An even smaller appropriation for both regular and emergency needs is provided for the coming year.

In regard to the installation of plumbing facilities in the new Mint at San Francisco, a plumber was employed for this work. He was selected for temporary employment from the Civil Service register in the San Francisco District and was paid from the special appropriation provided to take care of the expenses of the new building. What little plumbing work that has been necessary in the old building and in the new has been of necessity assigned to Mr. Morlock who is employed as an emergency helper.

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The Commission states that it understands the duties of the position of Melter left vacant when Mr. Roebke was promoted to Foreman Melter of the Refinery have been assigned to an emergency employee. Again the limitation of our regular appropriation made it necessary to leave this position unfilled for the present in order to reduce expenses. No recommendation, however, has been made to me that an emergency man be appointed to fill this position. I presume that the duties of Mr. Roebke's former position have been divided up among the remaining employees of the Make-up Department.

In regard to the position of Foreman of the Make-up Room, I have written to Mr. Haggerty suggesting for his approval that a civil service employee from another department in the Mint be assigned to it. Inasmuch as there never has been a permanent civil service position of Assistant Foreman of the Make-up Room, the Commission's approval is requested for the promotion of an emergency employee to this position in order that the expense will be divided between the two appropriations.

We have tried in so far as possible to comply with the President's suggestion that vacancies be left unfilled in the interest of economy rather than to separate employees from the service. Both emergency and regular positions have been left unfilled whenever possible, and a further curtailment in the emergency personnel has been necessary in all the Mint institutions.

When Congress appropriates sufficient funds to take care of these positions that have been allowed to lapse, I shall be only too glad to recommend that they be filled.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

May 25, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have the honor to inclose a copy of a letter received by the Director of the Mint from the Royal Legation of Romania under date of May 19th, relative to a news item published in a European daily to the effect that the United States Mint is to coin money from a glass substitute for the purpose of preventing counterfeiting.

The United States Government has never had under consideration the plan of making glass money.

Very truly yours,

Acting Secretary of the Treasury.

Inclosure.

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June 1, 1938.

Mr. F. A. Birgfeld,
Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Attention: Mr. Burns.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with P. C. B. Circular No. 8, you are advised that the following changes in personnel took place in the Bureau of the Mint for the month of May, 1938:

Change of Name

Louise Carter, Stenographer, CAF-3, at $1,620 per annum on the emergency roll, changed to Louise Cobb, due to marriage.

Change in Duties

Joseph J. Swicker, Clerk-Stenographer, CAF-4, at $1,860 per annum, transferred to position of Clerk, CAF-4, at $1,860 per annum, effective May 10, 1938, regular roll.

Separation

Margaret Stricker, Sr. Stenographer, CAF-3, at $1,620 per annum, on the emergency roll, dropped at the close of business May 21, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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June 1, 1938.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Complying with Department Circular No. 247, I have to report that no employees of this Bureau have been tardy ten times during the current year.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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June 1, 1938.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the provisions of Section 7, of the Act of March 1, 1898, I have to report that the work of this Bureau for the month ended May 31, 1938, is not in arrears.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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June 6, 1938.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of circular letter dated April 21st, regarding the use of air mail for the week of May 15-21.

A survey was made of the various institutions connected with the Mint Service which shows a total of 39 air mail letters sent during the week of May 15-21.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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June 9, 1938.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your circular letter of May 26, 1938, I enclose a list of typewriters now in use in the Bureau of the Mint, including the Gold and Silver Units.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encl.

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June 13, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mr. James A. Heaney, Guard, CU-6, at $1,680 per annum, employed in the United States Assay Office in New York, be retired from the service on account of age at the close of business May 31, 1938.

Mr. Heaney reached the age of 70 on May 4, 1938, and has served for more than 22 years, making retirement compulsory at the end of May, 1938.

Attached is Mr. Heaney's application for retirement.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosure

MDM

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June 22, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I cannot believe that it is the purpose of the Civil Service Commission to yield to importunities that mean nothing more than continuing upon the payroll an employee who is rendering no service that can be considered of value to the agency in which he is employed.

The Mint appropriation is so depleted at the end of this fiscal year and so drastically reduced for the coming year, that it is perplexing to me how the entire force of valuable employees can be retained.

I respectfully request, therefore, that there be no delay in the approval of the disability retirement of Mr. Harry L. Trowbridge whose application was forwarded to the Commission on April 5, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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June 23, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

It is requested that this Office be authorized to permit the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia to purchase 3 noiseless, 11-inch carriage typewriters at a cost of $80.00 each.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

June 24, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that the following-named men, now employed as guards in the Secret Service Division of the Treasury Department, be transferred, effective date of oath, to guard positions, grade CU-6, at $1,680 per annum, at the United States Silver Depository, West Point, New York; compensation to be payable from the appropriation: "Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1939":

	Date of Birth
Huneycutt, Boyd T.	January 24, 1913
Johnson, Carl L.	December 16, 1898
Neal, Ernest F.	September 11, 1902

It is understood that no objections will be interposed to the above transfers.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

H:M

July 1, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to request that the recommendation for the transfer of Mr. George H. Smith from the position of Clerk, CAF-2, at $1,440 per annum, in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, to the position of Guard, CU-6, at $1,680 per annum, at the United States Silver Depository, West Point, New York, which was approved by the Commission on June 22, 1938 and by the Acting Administrative Assistant to the Secretary on June 24, 1938, be cancelled inasmuch as Mr. Smith declined the appointment.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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July 1, 1938.

Mr. F. A. Birgfeld,
Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Attention: Mr. Burns.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with P. C. B. Circular No. 8, you are advised that the following changes in personnel took place in the Office of the Director of the Mint during the month of June, 1938:

Addition

Stohl, Clark N., appointed Clerk-Stenographer, CAF-4, at $1,800 per annum, effective June 21, 1938.

Separation

Stohl, Clark N., transferred to Philadelphia Mint effective July 1, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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July 1, 1938.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the provisions of Section 7, of the Act of March 1, 1898, I have to report that the work of this Bureau for the month ended June 30, 1938, is not in arrears.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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July 1, 1938.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Complying with Department Circular No. 247, I have to report that no employees of this Bureau have been tardy ten times during the current year.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

June 30, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mr. Seth Horne be transferred, effective July 1, 1938, from the position of Senior Clerk, CAF-5, at $2,300 per annum, on the regular roll of the Office of the Director of the Mint, to the same position and grade, with compensation at the rate of $2,300 per annum, payable from the appropriation, "Expenses, Silver Purchase and Gold Reserve Acts, Bureau of the Mint, Mints and Assay Offices, 1938", this transfer to remain effective for such time as his services may be required and funds are available therefor, but not to extend beyond June 30, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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July 5, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

In reply to the communication from the United States Civil Service Commission dated June 17, 1938, (File SRR:MVC:EP), in connection with the request of Mr. John M. Bennallack, assistant superintendent of machinery at the United States Mint, San Francisco, California, that his retirement age be changed from 65 years to 70 years, the following reply has been received from the Superintendent of the San Francisco Mint in regard to Mr. Bennallack's duties:

"Mr. Bennallack, as Assistant Superintendent of Machinery, devotes a large part of his time to supervisory work. He spends fully from 65% to 70% of his time in directing men to the work of keeping our coining presses in condition, as well as other equipment in the Coining Department. He is a very fine worker and is fully capable of directing and supervising the necessary work to be performed in his department. He has eight men directly under his supervision and there is no foreman who immediately supervises the work of the mechanics."

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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June 30, 1938.

Mr. Clark Stohl,
Bureau of the Mint,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby authorized and requested to proceed to the Depository at West Point for the purpose of assisting in the receipt of silver at that institution. Upon completion of your work at the Depository you are requested to proceed to the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

While engaged in this service you are authorized to use your personally owned automobile, from Washington to West Point and return to the United States Mint at Philadelphia. You will be allowed reimbursement in an amount not exceeding the prevailing rates of cost of transportation and Pullman available by common carrier and in any event not to exceed the rate of 5¢ per mile, by the usual and shortest distance between the points mentioned, outside city limits (Government Travel Regulations P. 7, paragraph A); subsistence at $3.50 per diem in lieu of actual expenses therefor will be allowed for travel time equivalent to the scheduled time for train services between points traveled in each direction; payment to be made upon properly rendered statement of account from the appropriation "Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1938-39."

Very truly yours,

Wayne C. Taylor

Acting Secretary of the Treasury.

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July 1, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the following employees be reappointed, effective July 1, 1938, on the appropriation, "Expenses, Silver Purchase and Gold Reserve Acts, Bureau of the Mint, Mints and Assay Offices, 1939", in accordance with the order of Acting Secretary of the Treasury Stephen B. Gibbons dated June 30, 1938:

Name	Designation	Grade	Salary	Date of Birth
Anderson, Zilpah M.	Asst. Clerk	CAF-3	$1,740	Dec. 20, 1897
Bennion, Donald C.	" "	"	1,740	July 30, 1910
Bossidy, Catherine E.	File Clerk	CAF-2	1,440	Mch. 23, 1911
Bunnell, Charles J.	Asst. Clerk	CAF-3	1,620	June 25, 1913
Bunnell, Eleanor A.	Chief File Clerk	CAF-3	1,800	June 12, 1909
Burbank, Russell	Auditor	CAF-6	2,300	August 7, 1907
Cobb, Louise	Stenographer	CAF-3	1,620	Mch. 13, 1912
Cogswell, William N.	File Clerk	CAF-2	1,440	Oct. 21, 1913
Connors, Catherine L.	Clerk-Stenog.	CAF-3	1,800	Oct. 3, 1912
Cooney, Patrick S.	Auditor	CAF-6	2,300	Aug. 18, 1905
Davidson, Ida P.	Sr. Clerk	CAF-4	1,800	Nov. 14, 1901
Dean, Margaret M.	Jr. File Clerk	CAF-2	1,440	Aug. 14, 1908
Donnelly, Gene	Sr. Stenog.	CAF-3	1,620	Aug. 1, 1914
Failor, Kenneth M.	Auditor	CAF-6	2,700	Jan. 29, 1910
Farlow, Thelma W.	Stenog.	CAF-3	1,620	Oct. 2, 1907
Hanson, Lydia F.	Stenog.	CAF-3	1,620	Nov. 18, 1913
Harley, Joseph F.	Clerk-Stenog.	CAF-4	1,920	June 15, 1909
Hayden, Eleonora	Stenog.	CAF-3	1,740	Mch. 3, 1912
Hines, Elizabeth D.	Auditor	CAF-6	2,300	Aug. 23, 1904
Howard, Frank Leland	Examiner	CAF-11	3,800	Aug. 21, 1907
Huebner, Clive A.	Sr. Stenog.	CAF-3	1,620	May 20, 1907
Hule, Byron S., Jr.	Supvr. Gold Unit	CAF-10	3,700	July 9, 1905

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Name	Designation	Grade	Salary	Date of Birth
Kalapos, Julius S.	Jr.Clerk-Typist	CAF-2	$1,440	Nov. 8, 1906
Laird, Bernice	Sr. Stenog.	CAF-3	1,620	June 14, 1912
Larner, Dorothy T.	Sr. Stenog.	CAF-3	1,620	Aug. 21, 1905
Longpre, Henri L.	Prin.Acct.& Audit.Asst	CAF-6	2,300	Jan. 9, 1910
Mahoney, Barry	Auditor	CAF-6	2,300	Aug. 28, 1908
O'Haro, Janet B.	Clerk-Stenog.	CAF-3	1,620	Nov. 18, 1900
Ostler, Stanley R.,Jr.	File Clerk-C	CAF-2	1,620	April 24, 1913
Parker, Evelyn	Sr. Stenog.	CAF-3	1,620	April 3, 1912
Sessions, DeForest E.	Supvr. Auditor	CAF-8	3,000	Nov. 4, 1902
Thomson, Augustus P.	Scientific Aid	SP-5	1,800	Feb. 20, 1910
West, Maywood C.	File Clerk-Typist	CAF-2	1,440	Aug. 10, 1907
Wilkins, Edness K.	Sec. to Director	CAF-6	2,600	Jan. 31, 1896

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

MM

July 11, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the name of Barry Mahoney, Auditor, CAF-6, at $2,300 per annum, on the emergency roll of the Office of the Director of the Mint, be changed in the records of the Department to Jeremiah F. Mahoney. "Barry" is a nickname which Mr. Mahoney has used for many years.

Mr. Mahoney has taken several civil service examinations under the name of Jeremiah F. Mahoney.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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July 19, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that the salary of Mr. Stanley Rea Ostler, Jr., Jr. File Clerk, CAF-2, on the emergency roll of the Office of the Director of the Mint, be increased from $1,620 per annum to $1,680 per annum, effective August 16, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

July 19, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that the salary of Margaret M. Dean, Jr. File Clerk, CAF-2, on the emergency roll of the Office of the Director of the Mint, be increased from $1,440 per annum to $1,500 per annum, effective August 16, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

July 19, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that the salary of Dr. Frank Leland Howard, Examiner, CAF-11, on the emergency roll of the Office of the Director of the Mint, be increased from $3,800 per annum to $4,000 per annum, effective August 1, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

July 19, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that the salary of Catherine E. Bossidy, Jr. File Clerk, CAF-2, on the emergency roll of the Office of the Director of the Mint, be increased from $1,440 per annum to $1,500 per annum, effective August 16, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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July 19, 1935.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that the salary of Mr. William N. Cogswell, Jr. File Clerk, CAF-2, on the emergency roll of the Office of the Director of the Mint, be increased from $1,440 per annum to $1,500 per annum, effective August 16, 1935.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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July 19, 1935.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that the salary of Mr. Samuel B. Frantz, Administrative Officer, CAF-11, on the regular roll of the Office of the Director of the Mint, be increased from $4,200 per annum to $4,400 per annum, effective August 1, 1935.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

July 19, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the name of Miss Janet B. O'Harc, Clerk-Stenographer, CAF-3, on the emergency roll of the Office of the Director of the Mint, be changed on the records of the Treasury Department to Janet B. O'Hora.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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July 19, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

Enclosed is an application for an advance of sick leave for Mr. Roy T. Algate, an employee of the Office of the Director of the Mint, who was confined to his home because of illness from July 11 to July 15, inclusive. At the time of his illness, Mr. Algate had no accrued sick leave, and as of July 1st, he still had to liquidate 23 days' sick leave previously advanced.

It is respectfully requested that the above advance of sick leave be granted Mr. Algate, inasmuch as his case is meritorious.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

Enclosure

R:M

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July 19, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that the salary of Maywood C. West, File Clerk-Typist, CAF-2, on the emergency roll of the Office of the Director of the Mint, be increased from $1,440 per annum to $1,500 per annum, effective August 16, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

July 20, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the name of Catherine E. Bossidy, Junior File Clerk, CAF-2, at $1,440 per annum, employed on the emergency roll of the Office of the Director of the Mint, be changed to Catherine E. Harney, due to her recent divorce. Miss Harney's date of birth is March 23, 1911.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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July 28, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury,
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mr. William T. Bradley, Machinist, at $7.34 per diem, in the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, be retired from the service on account of disability.

Attached is an application signed by Mr. Bradley. Also attached are statements from Mr. Bradley's physician and his immediate superior regarding his disability.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

D

Enclosures.

August 1, 1938.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the provisions of Section 7, of the Act of March 1, 1898, I have to report that the work of this Bureau for the month ended July 31, 1938, is not in arrears.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

August 1, 1938.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Complying with Department Circular No. 247, I have to report that no employees of this Bureau have been tardy ten times during the current year.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

August 1, 1938.

Mr. F. A. Birgfeld,
Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Attention: Mr. Burns.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with P.C.B. Circular No. 8, you are advised that the following changes in personnel took place in the Bureau of the Mint for the month of July, 1938:

Change of name

Catherine E. Bossidy, File Clerk, CAF-2, at $1440 per annum on the emergency roll, changed to Miss Catherine E. Harney, due to divorce.

Janet O'Hare, Clerk-Stenographer at $1800 per annum, CAF-3, on the emergency roll, changed to Janet B. O'Hora.

Barry Mahoney, Auditor, CAF-6, at $2300 per annum, on the emergency roll, to Jeremiah F. Mahoney.

Separation

DeForest E. Sessions, Supervising Auditor, CAF-8, at $3000 per annum, on the emergency roll, transfer to Federal Trade Commission, effective close of business July 10, 1938.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

August 5, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury,
(Division of Appointments)

Dear Sir:

This Bureau is in receipt of notification from the Superintendent of the United States Assay Office, New York, New York, of the death of John G. Maeder, (Born September 3, 1884), Skilled Workman at $6.70 per diem, on August 1, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

R:D

August 8, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury,
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that the recommendation of July 15, 1938, approved by the Administrative Assistant to the Secretary on July 16, 1938, for promotion of Charles O. Beckman, SP-5, at $6.50 per diem, on the regular roll of the United States Mint in New Orleans, Louisiana, to the position of Junior Assayer, SP-6, at $2,100 per annum, effective July 16, 1938, be changed to read "Orville C. Beckman", the correct name of this employee.

Mr. Beckman's date of birth is October 23, 1896.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

D

August 9, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury,
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Dear Sir:

With reference to the request from the United States Civil Service Commission of July 29, 1938, which is returned herewith, you are informed that the following deductions were taken from the account of James Cassin, formerly employed as Skilled Workman in the United States Assay Office at New York, who was retired on April 30, 1938, for the period July 1, 1934 to April 30, 1935:

Personal account - - - - -	$49.21
Tontine - - - - - - - - - - -	10.00
Total - - - - - - - - - -	$59.21

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

D

August 10, 1938.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

Reference is made to the letter of August 2, 1938, of the Civil Service Commission, File SRS:HM:AO, relative to the alleged political activity of Mr. Benjamin De Ponzeano.

An investigation is being made of this case.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

D

August 15, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mr. Frank E. MacDonald, born December 21, 1894, Skilled Workman at $6.40 per diem, in the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, be retired from the service on account of disability.

Attached is Mr. MacDonald's application for retirement on account of disability. Also attached is a statement from Mr. MacDonald's physician and one from his immediate superior officer concerning his physical condition.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosures

MDM

August 16, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that Mr. William Henry Degan, Senior Bullion Weigher at $6.64 per diem, employed on the regular roll of the United States Mint at San Francisco, California, be retired from the service September 30, 1938, on account of age.

Mr. Degan will reach the age of 65 years on September 16, 1938, and has served for more than 20 years in the Government.

Attached is Mr. Degan's application.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosure

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The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

It is with regret that I report the death of Mr. Roger L. Halden, Skilled Workman at $6.15 per diem, on the regular roll of the United States Mint in Denver, Colorado, on August 16, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

August 25, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the recommendation for the promotion of Patrick Ryan, Junior Assayer, in the United States Mint, Denver, Colorado, from $7.00 per diem to $2,200 per annum, effective August 1, 1938, and which was approved by the Administrative Assistant to the Secretary on July 18, 1938, be cancelled, inasmuch as the wrong title was given to Mr. Ryan.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

August 25, 1938.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.
(Chief, Division of Appointments).

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend the appointment of Mr. Lewis Z. Griswold for emergency work, effective date of oath, as a Helper-Machine Operator in the United States Assay Office, Seattle, Washington, with compensation at the rate of $1,440 per annum, payable from the appropriation, "Expenses, Silver Purchase and Gold Reserve Acts, Bureau of the Mint, Mints and Assay Offices, 1939", for such period of time as his services may be required on such work and funds are available therefor, but not to extend beyond June 30, 1939.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM